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King Husain of Jordan celebrates 40 years on the throne to become the longest surviving leader in the Middle East

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Rosie Barnes has left the House to look after the nation's mothers and babies Life & Times

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MSIDE **Bad spelling** penalised

Children who fail to come up to scratch in spelling, punctuation and grammar coursework will be penalised. The government has announced that from September these skills will come under much tougher scrutiny.

Baroness Blatch, education minister, said: "We do a disservice to the schoolchildren of this country if we allow them to think that

Degree results

Degree results from Cambridge, London and Ulster universities appear today on page 9 of the Life & Times section. During the summer The Times will publish in full the results of all classes from all universities and former polytechnics.

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Simon Berkowitz in a prison van outside the Old Bailey, where he was jailed for 212 years for handling a stolen document

Bush hails new era in **US-Israeli** relations

FROM MARTIN FLETCHER IN WASHINGTON AND RICHARD BEESTON IN AMMAN

PRESIDENT Bush yesterday signalled a new era in US-Israeli relations at a crucial stage in the Middle East peace process by proclaiming the unfreezing of \$10 billion (£5.2 billion) in housing loan guarantees for Israel at the end of a two-day summit with Yitzhak Rabin, the Israeli prime

minister. After three years of nearhostility between Mr Bush and Yirzhak Shamir, Mr Rabin's hardline predecessor, the president lavished praise on Mr Rabin for radical changes in Israeli policies. These have not only transformed prospects for advancing the Arab-Israeli peace process but also enabled Mr Bush to start courting the important Jewish-American vote before November's presi-

dential election. Some in the Arab world reacted angrily. Both Pales-tinian and Jordanian officials, whose co-operation is the key to the success of the Middle East talks resuming on August 24, accused Mr Bush of going back on his word and gave warning that Wash-

THE Skipton Building Soci-

ety is today raising its mort-gage rate for its 65,000 borrowers by 0.5 per cent to 11.25 per cent. The move

comes because savers have

been deserting the 14th larg-

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sion on stamp duty is with-drawn on August 19, typ-ically adding £600 to

societies follow.

Sex smear

secretary, Jennifer Fitzger-ald, in the 1980s. The New York Post yesterday became the first newspaper to make public rumours of an affair, focusing on an alleged "tryst" between the couple in 1984 in Geneva.

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ington had lost credibility as the main co-sponsor for the

Suleiman Najjab, a member of the 15-man Palestine Liberation Organisation executive committee, who has been involved in preparations with Palestinian negotiators for the Washington round, said: "So long as the world has not heard Mr Rabin state clearly that he will stop all settlements in the occupied territories, then approving the guarantees is very bad news. This will hurt the peace

By LINDSAY COOK, MONEY EDITOR

housebuying costs. Other societies with pressures on

their margins could follow, although the largest lenders

are anxious not to damage

the very fragile mortgage

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process and damage American credibility, because they are, in effect, helping to finance what they have stated themselves is the major obstacle to peace in the region."

just 'a lie'

But some Palestinians said they hoped that Mr Rabin would stop settlements and had given Mr Bush undertakings to this effect. In spite of the public Arab anger, there was no suggestion that any of the parties would withdraw from the process or boycott the resumption of talks. Privately, many Arab figures are

Skipton raises mortgage rate cult to compete with highpaying tax-free National Savings products this year. These have been reduced by the government twice in the past month to help societies to

stop an outflow of funds. To

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time buyers and large borrowers. Leading article, page !1 Mortgage fears, page !5

ympathetic to Mr Bush's electoral difficulties. For most of the Arab world, a Demo-cratic victory by Bill Clinton and his pro-Israeli running mate, Al Gore, could have far more damaging implications for US-Arab relations than

the loan guarantee reversal. In Kennebunkport, the president announced the unfreezing of the loan guarantees that Israel needs to settle up to a million Soviet émigrés over the next five years, saying that he and Mr Rabin had agreed "an approach which will assist these new Israelis without frustrating

the search for peace". Mr Rabin briefed Mr Bush on his plans for introducing Palestinian autonomy within a year. The president acknowledged that there were unspecified "differences", but said he believed that the hitherto fruitless peace talks were about to enter a "new, more productive phase".

Mr Rabin "has persuaded me that Israel's new government is committed to making these talks succeed", Mr Bush said in an oblique criticism of Mr Shamir. "I call upon the Arab parties to respond in kind. The time has come to make peace, not simply to talk of it."

Mr Rabin pledged that Is-rael would "do its utmost" to promote the US-brokered peace efforts begun in Madrid last September and to 'inject new momentum into the negotiations" while not compromising Israel's sec-urity. He urged the Arabs to share our goodwill and openness", adding: "The chances for a better peaceful future are there. Let us all take advantage of them."

In a clear pitch to Jewish voters, Mr Bush went out of his way to emphasise the restoration of America's traditionally strong relationship

Ashdown

burglary By Lin Jenkins

affair man

cleared of

SIMON Berkowitz, who tried to sell a memorandum detailing a sexual relationship between Paddy Ashdown and his former secretary to the News of the Vorld for £30,000 in the run-up to the general election was yesterday jailed for two and a half

Berkowitz was cleared of burglary at the offices of Ma Ashdown's solicitor but convicted of handling a stolen document. The jury at the Central Criminal Court then heard that Berkowitz had 244 previous convictions . 230 of them for burglary. Judge Michael Coombe ordered that he serve the two and a half year sentence after completing the three years he is currently serving for

At a pre-trial hearing the prosecution had asked to be allowed to introduce Berkowitz's previous convictions into the case. They wanted his criminal record to go before the jury as "similar fact evidence". But the rare application was refused by the judge as being too

Yacterday, the judge told Berkowitz that the sentence for handling a stolen document must be severe to deter others from doing what in this case had provided "the wherewithall to enrich yourself very greatly because you intended to sell it to the News of the World". He added: Others would receive documents of this kind for other wicked purposes such as blackmail.'

The judge said: "You have an absolutely appalling record for dishonesty. You obviously have not the slightest regard for others' property or in this case for their feelings or rights of privacy. It is being prepared to receive documents of this kind, that Continued on page 14, col 8

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20,000 flee the terrors of 'ethnic cleansing'

By MICHAEL BINYON, DIPLOMATIC EDITOR AND JAMES BONE IN NEW YORK

ABOUT 20,000 Bosnian refugees are expected to stream into Croatia in the next few days as ethnic cleansing by Serbian fighters forces the biggest exodus since the civil war began.
United Nations refugee

officials in Croatia were bracing themselves for a massive operation to provide food and shelter to desperate refugees coming across the border in cars, buses and lorries to Karlovac in northwestern Croatia. The Serbian authorities handed representatives of the UN High Commissioner for Refugees a list of more than 5,000 families who had "voluntarily" expressed their desire to leave Bosnia.

"This is a standard part of ethnic cleansing," said Peter Kessler, the UNHCR spokes man. "It is basically a blackmail which they present to the UN." Croatia already has 640,000 refugees from Bosnia and has said it cannot cope with any more. The cost of feeding existing refugees is estimated to be \$2.5 million (£1.3 million) a day.

Paddy Ashdown, the Liberal Democrat leader, said after his two-day tour of Bosnia that conditions in Serbrun camps had "clearly improved", but bureacratic delays and transport difficul-ties prevented him inspecting more than two. He spent only half an hour at Manjaca camp near Banja Luka on Mondry afternoon, and said afterwards that though conditions were "vile, this is not a death camp, this is not a

Serbian forces yesterday agreed to allow mothers and children to begin leaving Sarajevo during a lull in the fighting amid signs that the Serbs were losing their stran-gl hold on Bosnia. All children under the age of 18 and their mothers can leave the city, and the first convoy of buses carrying 200 children and mothers is expected to set

concentration camp".

out today. UN officials in Geneva said that Serbian troops were allowing more convoys to reach their destination unmolested. In New York the Western

allies are pressing the UN to keep a contingent of peacekeepers at Sarajevo airport. despite fears of retaliation against them after the adoption of a new security council resolution authorising military action to protect humani-tarian operations in Bosnia. Officials say the draft resolution approving the use of force by UN member states and regional alliances, likely to be passed today or tomorrow, is drafted in a way that

makes it very hard for the UN force to pull out. Nato has called an emer-ency meeting in Brussels for Friday to discuss the secret contingency plans for deployment of thousands of Western troops to protect relief convoys. The meeting will give Nato military authorities further directions, but it will not necessarily signal the start of

For the first time in an African humanitarian operation the United Nations is to use armed security men to take over Somalia's main port in Mogadishu. Within a month roads leading to food distribution points will be secured to help deliver food to 1.5 million starving Somalis. The move is a breakthrough for the UN special representative to Somalia. Full details, page 14

any deployment. A British of ficial said yesterday: "We do no not want to give the impression that force will be used the moment the security council resolution has gone through."

France said yesterday it was making some Awacs (early warning aircraft) available to the Western Europe Union to help naval forces deployed in the Adriatic

A Russian fact-finding mission to the former Yugoslavia returned to Moscow yesterday, denying the existence of "concentration camps" in Bosnia, rejecting the use of force to protect aid convovs and calling for more under-standing of Serbia's position. The Russian government however expressed support for the UN resolution, saying it was "consistent" with Rus-

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VACHERON CONSTANTIN

Give us this day, our daily hamburger

By ALAN HAMILTON

AS YOU wander through this cathedral, says a souvenir scroll being handed out to tourists who come to gaze on the soaring Gothic of Salisbury, may something of God's grace touch your heart. that you may go on your way with His blessing. Where He would really like you to go is half a mile down the road to McDonald's. Chaucer's clerk had his glas of pigges

bones and the devout who used to trail to Santiago de Compostela would sport a cockleshell as proof of been there, done that. Today's pilgrims to Salisbury are to be rewarded for their devotions with a free Big Mac. There has never been such a sales gimmick since the trade in indulgences fell away.

There is, mercifully, no suggestion that communion wafer should give way to quarter-pounder, nor wine to straw-berry milkshake, but Salisbury's prima-

ry burger joint has come in a small way to the aid of a cathedral that costs £3,000 a day to run. McDonald's has provided scrolls on mock-parchment paper, handed out free to cathedral paper, handed out free to carnedral visitors to prove that they have been there. The band which keeps the scroll rolled up may then be taken to the burger bar and exchanged for a meal. You have to pay for one meal to get one free. There is always a catch, whatever the religion. Still. Salisbury's tourist office thinks it a splendid idea. Some city councillors are less enthused.

city councillors are less enthused, branding it a cheap stunt hardly better than having three armbones of St Giles for sale.

The local McDonald's has already supported schools and a theatre. The burgermaster of Salisbury will donate part of his proceeds to the cathedral, but it may be little more than a nibble into the £230.000 a year it costs just to maintain the fabric of the building. The

scheme is separate from the spire fund patronised by the Prince of Wales. "If we have to indulge from time to

time in a little honest commercialism, then so be it," Christopher Owen, the chapter clerk who oversees cathedral finances, said yesterday. Sponsorship had a long history, he said, from the original builders who tapped the high. the mighty and the poor to build the thing to the fireworks company which donated its products to the closing ceremony of the spire appeal two weeks ago.

Last year the Rt Rev John Baker, Bishop of Salisbury, expressed fears that the running of the cathedral was being overtaken by the need for cash. Salisbury does not charge an entrance fee, but suggests a donation of £1.50. The bishop, who is out of the country. has apparently raised no objection to the latest scheme. He, the dean and chapter appear to view it with the only proper burger accompaniment - relish.

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Ministers resist calls to ban UDA on mainland

BY RICHARD FORD, HOME CORRESPONDENT

THE government is resisting demands from MPs to extend its ban on the Ulster Defence Association to mainland Britain. Although there is support for the outlawed organisation in Protestant areas of Scotland. Kenneth Clarke, the home secretary, has decided that the organisation does not pose a terrorist threat on the

Mr Clarke has consulted lan Lang, the Scottish secretary, and Sir Patrick Mayhew, Northern Ireland secretary, about outlawing the Loyalist paramilitary group on the mainland but

Defiance behind steel shutters

BY TIM JONES

ABOVE a fish shop and be-hind the security locks and steel shutters of their Shankill Road headquarters. the nigh command of the Ulster Defence Association

sip coffee and put on a good show of being laid back. These are the men whose two decades of legality have been ended by Sir Patrick Mayhew, the Northern Ireland secretary, who said that he was satisfied they were actively and primarily en-gaged in the criminal and

The UDA has been linked with protection and extortion rackets since its birth in 1969. Vicious internal power plays have resulted in betrayal and death. More seriously, it has been regarded as a flag of convenience for the Ulster Freedom Fighters, an organisation which has specialised in sectarian killings, this year killing more people than the IRA.

Yesterday, in the first interview granted since being proscribed, four men who hold key positions in the in-ner circle of the UDA leadership delivered a grim warning to the security

"You can abolish us but you cannot disband us," one said. "You can drive us underground but we will not go away. We will defend our communities against the IRA and against anyone who wants to sell us to the Irish Republic. It is the God-given right of any men to defend his country and his family if they are threatened."

has decided that there are sufficient powers under the Prevention of Terrorism Act to hinder its activities. Under the act, it is an offence to raise money or accept funds to further terrorist activies or to benefit proscribed organisations. The UDA was outlawed from midnight on Monday.

The banning order applies solely to Northern Ireland. The only paramilitary organisations banned throughout the United Kingdom are the IRA and the Irish National Liberation Army.

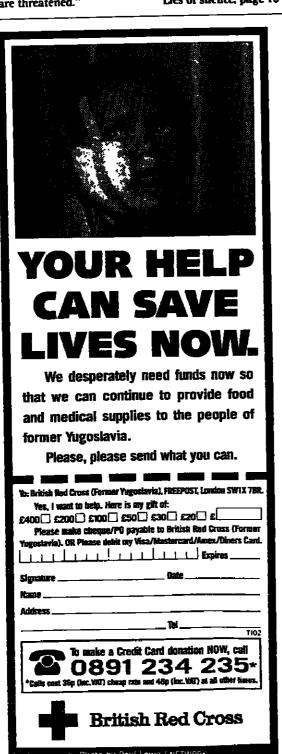
Scottish Labour MPs said yesterday that it would be logical to widen the ban on the UDA to include Scotland, where rivalry between Protestants and Catholics still exists, though without the violence of that characterises the divisions in Northern Ireland. Scotland has long been a souce of support for the Loyalist cause, both financially and, it is suspected, in the supply of arms. In 1989, six Loyalists were jailed for 64 years for conspiring to sup-port terrorism in Northern Ireland by making and obtaining ammunition and explosives.

In 1979, Jim Hamilton. supreme commander of the UDA in Scotland, was jailed for 16 years for his part in a plot to supply arms to North-ern Ireland. He was one of 11 men sentenced to a total of 215 years. In 1987, two arms dealers were jailed for 11 years by Bristol Crown Court for sending five anti-tank rockets to Glasgow for the

☐ Fundraising, and even contributing to funds, for the UDA is expected to be out-lawed in Britain. But fundraising for UDA prison-ers' families would not be illegal, according to Professor Steve Bruce, author of The Red Hand, Loyalist Paramilitaries in Northern Ireland. to be published this month. Sympathisers could continue raising money simply by changing the name of their organisation to, say, the Association for the Defence of Ulster, he added.

He said that fundraising was by far the most important activity for the UDA in Scotland. Arms could be obtained more easily from overseas. During the 1970s, however, a steady trickle of explosives found their way from Scotland to Northern Ireland. mostly stolen from the min-

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Shadowy trade: customs officer Tony Frith yesterday with part of the world's biggest seizure of coral, worth more than £500,000 and weighing 80 tonnes, taken from Felixstowe and Tilbury in July

School coursework to be penalised for bad spelling

By JOE JOSEPH

SCHOOLCHILDREN, who are being penalised already for failing to come up to scratch in spelling, punctuation and grammar in GCSE examinations, will in future pay for making similar mistakes in coursework as well.

At the moment, a bonus of up to 5 per cent can be added to a pupil's final exam marks as a reward for good spelling. punctuation and grammar. From September this carrot will be extended to cover coursework, which will account for 20 to 40 per cent of an examinee's final tally. depending on the subject.

"We do a disservice to the schoolchildren of this country if we allow them to think 'sloppy' written work is acceptable," said Baroness Blatch, the education minister, when she announced the scheme yesterday. "Accurate writing skills are a basic re-

Falling under the pedant's spell

Correct spelling has been turned into a moral virtue, yet Shakespeare spelt his name three ways, Joe Joseph says

THERE is to be no hiding place in Britain's schools for Dan Quayle, the American vice-president who recently revised the dictionary by appending an 'e' to potato.

This innovation prompted Al Gore, his Democrat rival, to suggest ditching the traditional pre-election debate between the two presidential running mates and to challenge Mr Quayle to a spelling bee instead. But do Mr Quayle's unconventional ways with tubers make him less qualified to be the man just one hartbeete away from the White House?

Shakespeare spelt his name three ways. Is Hamlet any less of a play? Shakespeare's texts were thick with spelling mistakes until pedagogues got hold of them in the last

couple of centuries. John Clare could not spell. nor could Blake. George Or-well was not a great speller. He had more important things to say. Given a choice between "i before e except after c" and "all animals are equal but some animals are more equal than others", few would rate the former as a sharper insight than the

Spelling has been turned into a moral virtue, which it is not. Just because you cannot spell, does not mean you are not a good historian or novelist. Bad spelling is a sign of carelessness. "Like having egg stains on your tie", says Philip Howard, my col-

league. Most of us regard qualities like wit and original-

ity as more important. John Murray, who runs a publishing house that lists Byron among its authors, says: "We've become far too pedantic about spelling. If you look through letters in our archives from the 18th century, you see quite literary writers spelling the same word three different ways in the space of the same letter.

"It's extremely dangerous to put spelling in a straitjacket. Worrying about spelling, and spending lots of time looking things up in dictionaries, is only recent. Before, nobody used to care.

"If someone writes a wonderfully entertaining essay. why should it matter how it is spelt? I'm a great one for usage. If the way people spell things changes, then the official spelling should be changed. Spelling mistakes are often just the result of haste."

Spelling liberals might feel we should be guided towards correct spelling but not penalised for straying from it. Many feel the burdens of spelling have been lifted by echnology, but not always. At a recent European Community summit in Lisbon, a journalist typing his report found his computer's spellcheck program balked at the

surname of Britain's foreign

secretary. It flashed the mess-

age: Do not recognise Hurd.

quirement of the world be-yond school and employers are right to value them." She hailed the govern-ment's new belt-and-braces

plan to leave no word misspelt as "another example of raising expectations and therefore standards". Special arrangements will exempt dyslexic and handicapped

pupils.
The campaign for improved spelling and gram-mar was launched by Kenneth Clarke when he was secretary of state for educa-tion and convinced that shod-dy spelling was helping to undermine the country. He originally wanted five per-centage points to be deducted from the exam marks of GCSE candidates, but examination boards preferred to reward smart spellers than to penalise wayward ones.

The government is also limiting the proportion of coursework in a GCSE examinee's final marks. Lady Blatch said: "It is very difficult to mark grades fairly if there is too much coursework. It is almost impossible to achieve consistency between grades given by course teachers for different items of coursework set all over the country." From this September, 40 per cent of the English GCSE will be based on course work, 30 per cent of the English literature exam, 30 per cent of science, and 20

per cent of mathematics.
This summer's GCSE results, due shortly, are the first to be weighted for accurate spelling and punctuation and will be monitored carefully by the School Examinations and Assessment Council.



Lady Blatch: sloppy work not acceptable

Snake man accused of cruelty

BY DAVID YOUNG

A WITCH doctor was arrested in London after draping two pythons around his neck on a day when a woolly scarf would been appropriate.

Emmanuel Nortey, 53, of Bromley, Kent, known as Snakey Joe, has denied causing suffering and cruelly treating a royal python and an Indian python on March 19 by unreasonably exposing them in inclement weather, in a prosecution brought by the RSPCA. Mr Nortey, whose exotic

snake dancing act was a hit in London clubs during the 1970s, is known as a respected juju man, or witch doctor, in his native Ghana. Mr Nortey denied the He said the snakes had charges yesterday at Wells Street magistrates court,

central London.

Martin Lawton, a snake expert, said that the royal python had not been looked after well as it had difficulty shedding its skin. It also had an infected eye.

He said that the Indian

python normally came from warmer climates than Brit-

ain's. "If kept at a lower temperature, the most stressful thing for it is being taken from a warm to a cold environment," he told the

been allowed to cool down considerably and it took them three days to get back to a normal temperature.

The chairman of the bench, Dorothy Cutner, adjourned the case until October 27, when the defence case is expected to be heard. Mr Nortey was remanded on unconditional bail.

to curb EC sceptics at conference

Tories aim

By Sheila GUNN POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

JOHN Major and his ministers will launch a series of European initiatives next month to head off trouble from the strong anti-Maastricht element within the Conservative party at the annual conference in October.

The prime minister will repeatedly emphasise the advantages of EC membership. particularly through increased trade and foreign investment, and the enormous benefits he foresees from being part of a massive trad-

While the merits of Maastricht as a turning point for the EC will be a central theme in his speeches, the fate of the treaty on closer European unity will largely be dictated by the French referendum on September 20.

The impetus for the European initiatives will come from the special London conference called by Mr Major for September 7 to push his belief that the future of the Community lies in looking Under the British presiden-

cy, other ministers will also be chairing a series of EC council meetings around Britain next month. Gillian Shephard, the employment secretary, will conduct a European action programme to show how Continental jobs will be open to British workers from next year as the single internal market comes into play.

Conservative party head-quarters will be moving to soothe activists disgruntled over Europe and the length of the recession at the annual conference at Brighton. Sir Norman Fowler, the party chairman, is likely to issue a "pep talk" to all constituency chairmen and agents next month to encourage them to turn away from internal disputes and focus the conference on celebrating the Conservatives' fourth electoral victory coupled with debates on the programme for the next term. He appears to have been

successful in settling an agenda which should prevent open rebellion over Europe and the economy. Instead criticism on these issues will be consigned chiefly to the fringes. The agenda with 1,190 motions has also been formulated to make it difficult for representatives to link the future of Europe and the re-

cession, via Britain's membership of the exchange-rate mechanism. While Douglas Hurd, the foreign secretary. and Norman Lamont, the chancellor, expect some trouble, they could draw the fire away from Mr Major personally.

CORRECTION

John Taylor is a junior minister in the Lord Chancellor's department, not in the Home Office as stated in yesterday's Law Times.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Figures show rise in patient waiting lists

The number of people on hospital waiting lists rose by more than 11,000 in the three months after the election. according to provisional figures from the health department. More than 926,000 people are now waiting for an operation. Of those 1.244 have been waiting more than two years in spite of the government's pledge in its patient's charter to clear the typographic backloop by April of this way charter to clear the two-year backlog by April of this year

(Alison Roberts writes).

While the overall number of patients waiting more than two years has been reduced and six of the 14 regional health authorities have eliminated their long-term lists health authorities have eliminated to meet the altogether, some areas are still struggling to meet the government's target set last October. The number of those waiting between one and two years has increased by almost waiting between one than 3.7 per cent — while the number of national waiting for less than 12 months are be number of patients waiting for less than 12 months rose by about 1 per cent to 843,210.

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Announcing the figures yesterday. Tom Sackville, the health minister, said: "Although the number of patients waiting over one year rose slightly in the three months to the end of June, these patients still account for fewer than one in ten of the total number waiting." David Blunkett, the shadow health secretary, condemned the figures as the result of failed government promises. He said: "Today's result of failed government promises. He said: "Today's figures offer a sharp resemblance to Britain's economic statistics — good news before the general election and the stark reality of failure after the election."

Two share chess lead

Grandmasters Julian Hodgson and Jonathan Mestel both won their games in the British chess championship in Plymouth to jointly lead with seven points out of eight (Raymond Keene writes). Hodgson faced a tough opponent in John Emms. but with Emms very short of time. Hodgson bluffed by sacrificing his queen. Unable to co-ordinate his thoughts Emms failed to find the winning line and was suddenly checkmated. Spectators described the victory as the chess equivalent of daylight robbery. By contrast, Mestel had little difficulty in converting an advantage against Aaron Summerscale. A point behind the joint leaders is the teenager Dharshan Kumaran. Mark Hebden, Andrew Martin and John Emms are leading the pack with five and a half. There are 11 rounds to be played.

Dog captured in jet
A policeman donned an anti-rables suit at Manchester airport yesterday to capture a Rhodesian ridgeback dog which had bitten through the bars of its cage and was running lose in the airliner's hold. The South African Airways jet from Johannesburg had earlier touched down at Paris but ground staff had refused to open the hold when they have the dos leaving around it was taken to the they heard the dog leaping around. It was taken to the airport quarantine quarters. As an enquiry began into how the dog managed to break loose an SAA spokesman said: "The hold was not opened in Paris although they were aware the dog was loose. Paris telephoned Manchester." The ridgeback was being imported into Britain as a pet.

Nickell suspect cleared

The 26-year-old photographic student arrested by police in Liverpool in connection with the murder of Rachel Nickell on Wimbledon Common four weeks ago was released by detectives last night and cleared of any link to the murder. Merseyside police said that he had now been arrested in connection with other matters and taken back to Liverpool. He would be questioned about the rape of a woman aged 19 in her home in Toxteth. Liverpool, on August 22 last

Chalker meets Kurds



Baroness Chalker, minister of overseas development. meeting Masoud Barzani, president of the Kurdish Democratic Party, when a seven-man delegation from the opposition Iraqi National Congress called at the Foreign Office yesterday after returning from talks in Washington. In an hour-long discussion, described as friendly and useful, the lragis voiced concern over the "terrible repression of Shias in southern Iraq. Lady Chalker said Britain was keeping in close contact with its allies over the situation. The Iraqis, who also included Jalal Talabani, a Kurdish leader, emphasised their commitment to pluralist democracy. Lady Chalker spoke of the need for unity among opponents of Saddam Hussein.

Love child inherits farm

Unemployed Wayne Jones, 23, inherited a 140 acre estate yesterday after proving through a DNA test that he was the love child of a wealthy dead farmer. The funeral of bachelor Emlyn Jones, 57, was delayed after a divorcee. Monica Jones, claimed he was the father of her son. The DNA test proved that Wayne was legally entitled to inherit the estate. The farmer's family were forced to halt his cremation two months ago after Monica claimed her son was his true heir. She said she had had a brief affair with Emlyn Jones 24 years ago and renewed the relationship two years ago, but her diabetic lover had died without leaving a will. Emlyn's brother, Billy Jones, a council worker, said Wayne had no right to inherit Tai Canol Farm at Cynonville in West Glamorgan. Monica and Wayne will move into the farmhouse from their council flat.

Spy suspects detained

Officers from Scotland Yard's special branch were last night still questioning a couple arrested over allegations of possible espionage involving weapons technology and a former Iron Curtain country. The couple from Kingston upon Thames, southwest London, have been held at Paddington Green police station since the weekend.

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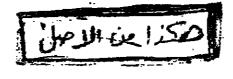
The United States Department of State is conducting a Visa Lottery Program. 40,000 visas will be issued leading to American citizenship. The selection will be done randomly. The program is open only to persons born in, or married to persons born in, the following countries.

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Mother lay dying on floor for days while son, 12, ignored her

A BOY aged 12 left his dying mother on the floor of their home for several days while he went out with friends. He told neighbours that his mother was out, an inquest was told yesterday.
When one of his friends

told a neighbour that he had seen a body, the boy said that it was a blow-up dummy left by his father, who lived in America. He invited two friends to stay at the house, in Acton, west London, while his mother, who was brain-damaged giving birth to him, was still lying on the floor. The friends eventually stayed with a neighbour because the boy said that his mother had not

The woman died in Ham-

mersmith Hospital, west

£200,000 for brain damage during her son's birth.

Cheese and raw eggs kept boy alive

A two year old boy survived alone for seven days on food scraps after his father died at the their home, an inquest was told yesterday.

The boy are raw eggs and cheese to stay alive as his father's body decomposed in a back room of the house. He was found emaciated in appalling surroundings, Hammersmith Coroner's Court was toldi.

Paul Scanlan, 36, had died about a week before a suspicious neighbour entered the house at Northolt, west London, to find Shane Scanlan alone, living in filth and surrounded by rotting

Dr Robert Chapman, a pathologist, said that it was almost impossible to pinpoint the cause of death because Mr Scanlan's body was not discovered for several days. The coroner recorded an open verdict.

Last night the boy was returned to his mother, Susan Hill, and his younger brother Jamie. There had been fears of a custody battle involving Shane's grandmother, Ellen

Scanlan of Dublin. The inquest heard that looking for something for something for something the state of the state

London, on February 11. Dr John Burton, the Hammersmith coroner, recorded a verdict of death by natural causes. He said the boy's action did not affect the cause of death: "She would have died anyway." Dr Burton ruled

that the boy, now a ward of court, should not be named. Dr Christopher Foster, the pathologist, said the woman, 45, died because of a stroke after rupturing a blood vessel. She had suffered from fits and black-outs, the inquest was told. In 1990 the High Court had awarded her

quest that she had been un-

unemployed security officer, had lived with Shane at the house in Kilowen Avenue, Northolt, for about two years since separating from his

common law wife. Mrs Ellen Scanlan told the hearing: "He always had Shane with him. People said they never saw Shane without Paul. He had a bicycle with a carrier on it and took Shane with him. Shane was very well looked after."

Mrs Scanlan said she received letters from her son every five to six weeks but last saw him just before Christ-mas 1991 — about five months before his body was found on May 26 this year.

Pc Ian Strutt, of Northolt police, said he was called to the Scanlan's house after a friend and neighbour, Andrew Taylor, became suspicious of not seeing the father and son and let himself in to their house. Shane was siumped across a chair in one room and Mr Scanlan's body was in a back room. .

"The fridge door was open and food was scattered across the floor. It was very messy, presumably from the lad was looking for something to eat."

able to get a reply from the woman's house over several days. When she next saw the son, she asked how his moth-er was and he told her: "She is feeling much better and she even went out to do some

The son had a key to the flat and was seen going in and out, but spent much of his time in a video shop with friends. At school he was found to be carrying £70 and was said to have bought gifts for his friends, including a £75 computer and £45

The neighbour said that she decided to enter the flat to see what was going on. "I saw him coming from his flat. I said, "Where is your mum?" He said, 'Oh, didn't you pass her? She was just up the road. I said, I've had enough of your lies. Open that door.' We went in. She was lying on the floor, just inside the front

The neighbour said that she called an ambulance and when the crew raised his mother, the boy screamed. "He was shaking and getting hysterical. The flesh from her knee, her hand and parts of her face were gone. I had to hold him until they took her away. She was just barely breathing. As far as I was concerned, she was clinically dead but was still breathing." The neighbour said that

the boy had since seen various doctors but had so far given no satisfactory explanation for his actions or talked about what happened during the time his mother was lying on the floor.

The dead woman's GP, Dr Helen Sapper, said in a written statement to the inquest: "In 1980 she had a caesarean section for the breach birth of her only son which went wrong and left her braindamaged, which then led to protracted legal proceedings which left her suspicious of doctors and lawyers."

The dead woman's brother, who had come to Britain from Nigeria to look after his sister, is bringing High Court proceedings in the hope of setting aside her money and home until the boy is 18.

'Profit not politics' behind Ashdown case







Maria Watson, left, rejects any plot in the theft from the solicitor's office, centre, which exposed his affair with Patricia Howard, right

CONSPIRACY theorists, already on alert as the general election approached, had their fondest suspicions confirmed with the arrest of Simon Berkowitz, who was yesterday cleared by an Old Bailey jury of breaking into a solicitor's office to steal a confidential document about Paddy Ashdown, the Liberal Democrat leader.

According to the woman who knew him best, the truth was somewhat more prosaic. Berkowitz, who was also found not guilty of stealing £223 in cash, but convicted of handling the stolen document, was neither the hireling of some sinister agency nor a politically committed plotter, said Maria Watson, his former wife. In her view he stepped straight from the pages of Graham Greene's Brighton Rock - a petty felon with a string of bur-

glary convictions.
The trial jury did not know that Berkowitz was brought to court each morning from Wandsworth prison, where he was serving a three-year sentence for burglary at a solicitor's office in Nottingham. They were also unaware that he had 244 previous convictions, most of them for burglaries at solicitors' offices.

Since his first conviction in 1961, when he was 14,- Berkowitz has received iail terms totalling 21 years. He of a deprived childhood. His father had served with the US Navy and never had "any time for him".

While on bail charged with stealing documents from Mr Ashdown's solicitors Berkowitz told reporters that he was a member of the Hove and Portslade Conservative Association. The association confirmed that he was a member but said he played no active role in consituency affairs. The chairman said: "I have spoken to numerous people in the association and no one can recall ever setting eyes on this man."

One Sunday newspaper claimed Berkowitz was listed

ous question of Paddy Ash-

down resigning after his admission last February of a

"brief relationship" five

years ago with his former

Public disgust at the way

the newspapers gained their information, sympa-

thy for his family, Mr Ash-

down's courageous bearing

to tell of the affair and his near impregnability as

'There was not a conspiracy, no matter what the papers say. Simon is a thief, ex-wife tells Bill Frost

as dead on government records. However, subsequent investigations revealed clerical error in National Insurance files rather than evidence of a plot.

Miss Watson never had any illusions. Months before Berkowitz came to trial she told The Times: "There was not a conspiracy, no matter what the papers say. Simon is a thief - he was always on

the night that Berkowitz arrived at her home on a rundown Brighton estate triumphantly clutching the stolen document revealing Mr Ashdown's affair with his former secretary. "He was very excited. He told me his latest acquisition would

had money in the safe. But

he would not steal from pen-

Miss Watson, 41, recalled

Liberal Democrat leader

meant there was never the

against him in his party.

John Major and Neil
Kinnock both declared their

support for Mr Ashdown

and said his personal trou-

bles had nothing to do with

make him as famous as James Bond," she said. Berkowitz specialised in "turning over" solicitors' of-fices, she revealed. "He had his own code of conduct: solicitors deserved to be robbed. He said they usually

sioners because they had

The jury apparently believed Berkowitz's story that he had been handed the sto-

Party backed its leader

All politicians know they are potential victims of a smear. David Mellor's survival of disclosures about his private life was undoubtedly helped by the absence of Tory calls for him to go.

solidarity. No one ques-tioned his position.

Liberal Democrat strate-gists are fairly certain that When Mr Ashdown went disclosures about Mr Ashbefore the weekly meeting down had little to do with of his MPs on the evening of the disclosure, they banged the party's subsequent distheir desks in a display of appointing poll showing.

len document by a man in a public house.

As Berkowitz basked in the media attention stories began circulating that he had been working on behall of the security services. That is such rubbish. He is just a burglar, and not a very good one. The papers just believe what they want to believe," Miss Watson said.

Berkowitz had initially planned to sell the note derailing Paddy Ashdown's affair to the Brighton Evening Argus or blackmail the Liberal Democrat leader. Miss Watson said. "I told him that was stupid — the local paper wouldn't even have the money to buy him a drink and Paddy Ashdown had trained as a commando. But Simon kept on bullying me and got quite violent. So. to make him stop, I said call the News of the World."

Profit and not politics had been behind his behaviour. she said. "Sure Simon was a Tory. But first and foremost he looked after himself that's why he admired Maggie Thatcher so much." Miss Watson once interrupted her ex-husband while he praised Mrs Thatcher for her strong line over the Gulf war. "He hit me so I hard I was stunned."

Berkowitz jailed, page 1

Shocking news for sole mates

By Alan Hamilton

THE diminutive Korean who pounded 26 miles of Spanish streets at the weekend to win the Olympic marathon would make an excellent waiter. Members of that profes-

sion cover an average of 60 miles during a five-day working week, the equivalent of 2.3 marathons, according to a survey conducted by a foot-care company which strapped pedometers to the ankles of a variety of professionals.

Postmen clocked up a mere 31 miles a week. Some, of course, climb blocks of flats, while others stroll the suburbs; the survey is silent on the nature of the terrain. Removal men were not far behind at 26 miles, although a piano is a greater load than a sack of junk mail and tax demands. Nurses notched up an average of 25 miles a Housewives will be grati-

fied to have confirmed what they know already, that domestic chores are hard on the feet. They clocked an average of 15 miles, rising to 20 when the job included the care of young children. Scholl, who commissioned the survey in the hope of promoting sales of a shock-absorbing shoe in-sert, calculates that each time a ten-stone adult takes a step, the foot is subjected to 200 lb of impact

pressure. Incidentally, at the bottom of the league are sales assistants in shops, who cover a meagre nine miles in a six-day working week.

WALKING AT WORK

Waiter/waitress Shop "floor walker" Postman 20 15 10 9

Bank warns millions of credit card blunders BY RAY CLANCY

THE National Westminster Bank's five million credit card customers were yesterday urged to check their state-ments for mistakes caused by a computer bug.

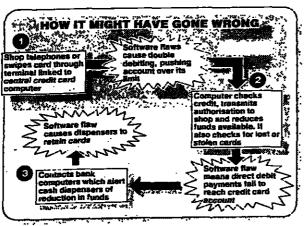
Pauline Hedges, of the

British Banking Association, said that most errors, which included overcharging, had been corrected, but urged customers to check.

The bug has been cleared from the system and the problems should not recur. Letters will be sent to cus-

tomers about the mistakes since mid-July which include cards being retained by cash ect debit being paid twice or not at all, credits not shown on statements, interest or late payments charges being made when not due, fees charged for non existent cash advances, purchase authorisation problems, delayed direct debits and incorrect transaction dates.

The mistakes only affected credit card bills processed by the Southend centre of First Data Resources, the operator of the computer system that processes -10 million credit card accounts on behalf of some banks. NatWest's 250,000 Gold Card holders were mostly affected.



The Consumers' Association, which deals many credit card problems, advised customers to complain in writing if they found an error. 'It is better to communicate in writing rather than on the telephone and to keep a copy of the correspondence," said Jean Eaglesham, money policy manager. "Check that you get a satisfactory response, credit card companies can be slow to respond, and check that any mistake is corrected by the next statement. If there is a false entry, don't pay it. cover note with your payment explaining that the entry is disputed.'

The CA welcomed the move by the banks to warn customers. "Computer errors can be covered up. The banks have come clean on this one. This highlights the importance of every customer checking their statements every month," said Ms Eaglesham.

A NatWest spokesman, who said the bank was seeking an explanation from First Data Resources, added: "We are apologising to all our customers. Nobody will suffer and we are doing all we can to minimise the inconvienence."

Left waiting, page 19

Customers charged twice

BY NICK NUTTALL TECHNOLOGY CORRESPONDENT

FIRST Data Resources and the National Westminster Bank yesterday refused to explain how a software flaw left some credit card customers being refused purchases, having cards withheld at cash dispensers and experiencing other transaction difficulties.

Banking sources said they believed the flaw caused the central credit card computer, run by FDR, to mismatch authorisation and purchase codes. This meant some customers were charged twice for a single purchase and were put close to or over their credit

Other faults included fail-

ing to accept or to recognise a direct debit payment from a customer's bank account. which left cardholders thinking they had more funds available than was the case, it

Most of the big banks in Britain, except Barclays, use the computer to process transactions, check customer credit limits. levy charges, authorise purchases and issue statements. When a cardholder pays for goods which are above an

agreed limit, the shop assis-

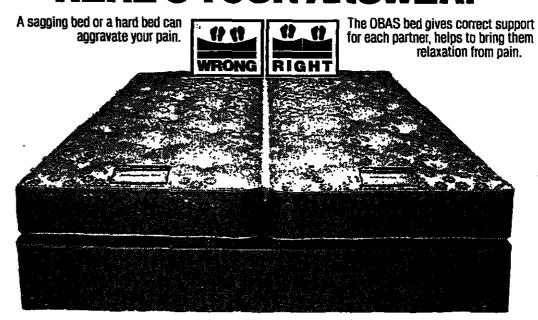
tant calls one of the computer

operators or puts the card

with the computer. This holds customer records on behalf of the banks. If the customer is in credit the computer gives the shop authorisation while reducing the funds available from the account by the amount of the purchase. At the same time, informa-

tion is automatically relayed to the banks' computers which connect with their network of cash dispensers. Someone using a credit card to get money in this way may find they are refused, or that their card is withheld, minutes or hours after buying an item which has taken them through a terminal that links close to their credit limit.

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Cuts in unemployment benefits

Lilley considers curb on long-term sick pay

By JILL SHERMAN, POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

SOCIAL security ministers are considering ways to cut down on the rising cost of invalidity benefit, now valued at about £5 billion a year, as part of an attempt to contain spending on the unemployed.

Peter Lilley, the social security secretary, is said to be looking at ways of targeting the benefit, which goes to 1.4 million people who are unable to work due to long-term

The Treasury and the social security department vester-day played down reports that ministers are in favour of cutting entitlement to unemployment benefit from a year to six months. While not rulto six months. While not ruling out that option in the longer term, Whitehall sources pointed out that such a change would require primary legislation and would be politically risky.

More than 600,000 people claim unemployment benefit.

claim unemployment benefit. about 22 per cent of the jobless, getting £43.10 a

their spouse's earnings or the level of their savings.

Donald Dewar, the Opposition social security spokesman, said that to take away unemployment benefit after only six months would be a cynical cost-saving exercise.

Francis Maude, a former Treasury minister, speaking on Radio 4 yesterday, supported a review of unemployment benefit and suggested that "workfare" schemes. such as those in the United States, should be considered. The cost of invalidity bene-

fit has risen from £3.87 bil-lion in 1989/90 to £5.6 billion this year, and is expected to rise to £7 billion in 1994/5. The contributory benefit costs nearly four times as much as unemployment benefit and the same amount as child benefit.

At present anyone who has been on statutory sick pay for 28 weeks is entitled to go on to invalidity benefit with a sick note from their GP. Ministers are concerned that is entirely unfit for work.

One option being considered is to tighten up the medi-cal checks needed to claim benefit. Although claimants can be asked to report to a benefit agency doctor to reassess their claim after several months, this can be vetoed by an individual's GP. Other options include reviewing the 28-week entitlement period or taxing the benefit. Longer term measures include encouraging those who are well enough to do part-time work, with the employer and the social security department sharing the cost. Significant changes would require pri-mary legislation but it is possible that tighter medical checks could be introduced

before next April.

Although Mr Lilley is looking at ways of containing spending in his department, he is said to be committed to manifesto pledges for annual upratings in line with inflation for child benefit and retirement pensions. Mr Lilley is also said to be defending long-term sick.



WPC 'assaulted' by colleague'

A POLICEWOMAN who went for a walk with a male colleague on Valentine's day was seriously sexually assaulted when they returned to her home, an industrial

tribunal heard yesterday. Eileen Waters, 24, a woman police constable, claimed that after complaining about the attack she was victimised by the Metropoli-tan Police and her career was damaged.

She spoke out yesterday after she lost her claim for victimisation and sex dis-crimination against the Metropolitan Police. An in-dustrial tribunal at Chelsea. west London, decided there was lack of evidence. It dismissed her application because the alleged assault happened while both officers were off duty.

Denis Brayden, the chairman, said there was nothing in the evidence he had heard to prove WPC Waters's claim that she was punished because of her complaint.

WPC Waters said that after finishing work at Harrow police station, north-west London, on February 14, 1988, she went for a walk with the male constable in Hyde Park. They returned to her room in police accommodation in nearby Marylebone Road, where

"serious sexual assaults"

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During an adjournment of the tribunal WPC Waters. who is now on sick leave, said her allegations were dealt with by Scotland Yard's complaints investiga-tion bureau. The male of-licer, who had worked with her at Harrow and had been off sick at the time, was not suspended. Neither was he disciplined after the Crown Prosecution Service decided he should not face charges. She claimed that officers investigating the case adopted an aggressive and unsympa-thetic manner towards her. In 1990 she obtained

qualifications which enabled her to be transferred from normal duties and be attached to a special search team. But in July last year, despite receiving favourable appraisal reports, she was moved to the property office

and told to "sort it out". WPC Waters said she was told by senior officers that she was medically unfit for specialised duties, but was not given any proof to sup-port that and had since been told she was unable to cope. She said that when she was on patrol duties male officers failed to respond when she summoned them for



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NEWS IN BRIEF

Gecas appeal

HOME CORRESPONDENT

PRISONERS caused extensive damage yesterday at Lindhoime jail, near Doncas-ter, South Yorkshire, as disturbances erupted for the third time in four years.

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Twelve inmates barricaded themselves in a dormitory and smashed furniture during more than three hours of trouble at the jail, which was opened in 1986 to ease over-

crowding in the penal system. They tried to attach wires to barricades so that prison staff would be electrocuted when they attempted to regain control of the dormitory. Prison officers finally gained control officers finally games control
of the room early yesterday
murning. The ringleaders
were held in the prison's segregation unit before being

The disturbances at the jail, which holds 700 prisoners. follow a report in January by Judge Turnim, the chief inspector of prisons, who criticised bullying and intim-

Judge Tumin called for the conversion of dormitories into individual cubicles and criticised management for its lethargy in preventing a sense of purpose developing in running the jail. He said that the jail was in need of great improvement, adding that managers were most concerned at

The latest disturbances started in dormitories where there had been previous trouble and which a Home Office minister had promised in 1988 to replace with cubicles. Last night, a Home Office spokesman said: "In the new year we will start to do away with the dormitories and replace them with two-man cubicles.

In 1988 250 rioters went on the rampage for four hours. Last year 600 inmates rioted, starting fires in several wings and building barricades, and a week ago 30 inmates attempted to escape from the jail.

will not

By RICHARD FORD

transferred to other jails.

idation among inmates.

the appalling dormitories.

Antony Gecas, a Lithuanian living in Scotland, will not fight a court decision which

said he was a war criminal Mr Gecas, a retired mining engineer. of Edinburgh. failed in a £600.000 defamation case against Scottish

Television last month.
Lord Milligan, in his Coun
of Session decision, said he was "satisfied on the evidence that Mr Gecas participated in many operations involving the killing of innocent Soviet citizens, including Jews in particular.

David Jack, solicitor for Mr Gecas, said in a statement: "Mr Gecas rejects the judgment of the court, but is in no position to meet the financial implications of an appeal."

Potholer killed

A British potholer fell 60ft to his death while exploring a cave in the Cantabrian mountains, in Spain, local govern-ment officials said. Ellis Barker, 36, a Manchester teacher, had entered the Cuvio de la Renada cave near the Alisas pass, about 20 miles southeast of Santander. with two Britons. Rescuers were trying to recover his

Owner fined

Barry Delaney, a business man who admitted demolishing without permission part of a grade II listed barn at Bailey Fold Farm, in Allerton, West Yorkshire, was fined £2,500 and ordered to pay £320 costs by Bradford magistrates yesterday.

College blasts

John Lleweilyn-Jones. chemistry lecturer at Basildon College, Essex, was sent for trial at Chelmsford Crown Court charged with failing to take reasonable care for the safety of two students after two explosions in laboratory.

Women seek car's practical features

By NICHOLAS WATT

WOMEN take a far more pragmatic view of cars than men and are content to drive small models, says a survey published yesterday. While men often see cars

as an extension of their masculinity, women see them in a utilitarian sense. Fancy gadgets have done little to impress them and they do not think much of electric windows and sophisticated music systems. Renault's survey of 1,000

women found that they looked for practical features such as good brake systems. Half of the women [51 per cent) wanted reliable cars, while 16 per cent wanted a safe model.

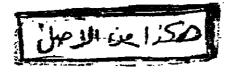
Women do dream about driving luxury, performance cars. They also believe cars are more indispensable than washing machines but are not bothered about the

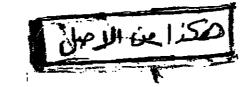
tures.
Phil Horton, Renault's marketing director, said: "Women generally see cars as a part of their life but not as an outward sign of their influence or position.

vehicle's environmental fea-

The AA agreed with most of the survey, but a spokes-woman said: "Just judging by the type of cars women drive, they clearly don't see them as a status symbol They also drive differently to men. Men make aggressive errors, like speeding. whereas women offend by bumping into the kerb."

Dame Barbara Cartland who claims to have organised the first women's car race in 1932, agreed with the survey but felt it had missed an important point: "I know this will infuriate women, but they do drive extremely badly."





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Water firms rebuked by advertising watchdog

By MELINDA WITTSTOCK, MEDIA CORRESPONDENT

A WATER industry advertisement claiming that British drinking water is "the best in Europe" has been condemned as unsubstantiated by the Advertising Standards Authority.

The advertisement, which comes after criticism by the European Court of Justice, was also rebuked for claiming without substantiation that British drinking water meets World Health Organisation standards.

The authority has instructed the Water Services Association, representing the ten water companies of England and Wales, not to repeat the claims "unless adequate substantiation was available".

Friends of the Earth, which complained to the authority about the advertisement, said the authority's decision "will finally lay to rest the unsubstantiated claims by the UK water industry whenever a legitimate attempt is made to enforce the legal standards of drinking water".

Liana Stupples, FoE's water campaigner, said: "Much of the drinking water in the UK is not up to standard. It is indicative of the water industry's bunker mentality that they respond to legal enforcement with propaganda rather than action."

FoE said WHO guidelines for nitrates, lead and aluminium were the same, or more stringent, than EC requirements, yet British water had been found to exceed EC levels in some areas.

The WSA admitted to the authority that it did not have access to any comparative data, but said yesterday it knew of no other EC country which had as good a recountry which in meeting EC drinking water standards.

ing water standards.
The Drinking Water Inspectorate's annual report a formight ago said British

water was of "a very high standard" and 98.7 per cent of the 3.57 million tests for purity had met EC requirements. "We feit there were greunds for saying our water is the best in Europe," Paul Garrett, WSA spokesman, said. "Why are Friends of the Earth seeking to east doubt over water quality that has a 98.7 per cent compliance? People should not deduce from this there is anything wrong with water — because there is not."

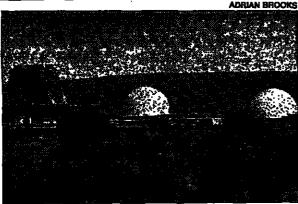
In a separate adjudication, the authority described as "irrelevant and misleading" a leaflet for Aqua Cool bottled water claiming a range of natural mineral waters exceeded EC levels of dissolved solids and water purity.

Evian, Perrier and Buxton

Evian; Perrier and Buxton complained to the authority that natural mineral waters were exempt from the guide levels referred to in the Aqua Cool leaflet and were subject to their own requirements, to which they conformed. Evian also complained that Aqua Cool's claim that two of the waters exceeded EC sodium levels was misleading because the natural mineral water directive placed no limit on

Spa Mineral Water was also criticised by the authority for "misleading" consumers with a poster featuring the belly of a pregnant woman, a bottle of Spa and the words "Before You Drink, Think Spa ... Source of Purity".

Spa argued that a water low in sodium content was beneficial to pregnant women, but the authority said that because it was unable to demonstrate that the level of sodium and impurities in other waters posed a threat to pregnant women or anyone else, Spa's poster was misleading and an "unwarranted appeal to fear".



The Yorkshire 'golf balls' and their replacement

Radar 'golf balls' to be dismantled

Some celebrated pieces of hardware from Cold war days are to disappear, report John Young and Paul Wilkinson.

THE dismantling of the giant plastic "golf ball" radar domes at the Fylingdales early warning station on the North York moors will begin later this

month.

Since they were installed nearly 30 years ago, the domes have become a familiar landmark and tourist attraction which at peak holiday periods jams the nearby narrow moorland road with traffic.

fragish Heritage recently considered listing them in its grade I category of buildings of outstanding architectural and historic interest, comparable with the nation's great castles, cathedrals and country busses.

houses.

Several people have offered to buy the domes since it became known that they were sto be declared redundant. Squadron Leader Sherry Davies, a spokesman at RAF Fylingdales, said yesterday that there had been enquiries from two funfairs and another from a bird lover who thought a dome would make an ideal aviary.

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He explained that they were not for sale as they belonged the United States air force which planned to dismantle them and trans-

port them to Turkey.

The domes were erected in 1964, when the Cold war was at its iciest, as part of the US strategic early warning chain. They enraged environmentalists, who considered them a monstrous intrusion on a wild and beautiful landscape within a national park, and

peace campaigners.

There were Ban the Bomb demonstrations outside the

base, and the military guarded its top-secret status with dogs, harbed wire and armed patrols. Claims were made that radiation from the domes was a threat to human life, and there were even suggestions that heat from the rays would germinate the seeds of pre-historic plants dormant in the moorland peat.

During the Cold war the three radar scanners inside the domes, capable of spotting an object the size of a biscuit tim over Moscow, would have given Britain just four minutes' warning of incoming Soviet nuclear missiles. They were still in use during the Gulf war, but allowed them to be replaced by a single piece of equipment housed within a new pyramid-shaped steel and

aluminium building
English Heritage's interest in the "golf balls" ended after a recent site visit, when its inspector discovered that they were not the originals. The hexagonal glass fibre panels, six inches thick, filled with a honeycomb of reinforced paper and joined by aluminium bolts, had been replaced between 1982 and 1984 by triangular panels with a thin plastic skin stretched over them, which were apparently not deemed worthy

of preservation.

Val Dilcock, planning officer for the North York Moors national park, said permission for the new pyramid had been made conditional upon the domes being removed.

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But John Greenway. Conservative MP for Ryedale,
said he thought that



Boxers saluted: Dublin's Michael Carruth, with his family, holds up his Olympic gold medal from a bus as 20,000 people in the city celebrated his return yesterday for a civic reception with Wayne McCullough, of Belfast, who won silver David Miller, page 24

Council tenants opt out

By Rachel Kelly PROPERTY CORRESPONDENT

TENANTS on some of Liverpool's most run-down council estates voted yesterday to opt out of local authority control and to become a housing action trust.

The inhabitants of 67 tower blocks, comprising 5,337 homes, voted 82 per cent in favour of forming Britain's third housing action trust and for a £100 million refurbishment programme that will take them out of the hands of Liverpool City Council. Only four of the city's 71 tower blocks voted to keep the council as its landlord and to reject the government's

Housing action trusts were set up as part of the 1988 Housing Act. Their responsibilities last for between five and ten years. The refurbishment programme in Liverpool is intended to be completed in seven to ten

years.

The ballot was carried out between July 20 and August 5, with 78.7 per cent of tenants voting. A total of 821 tenants voted against the scheme.

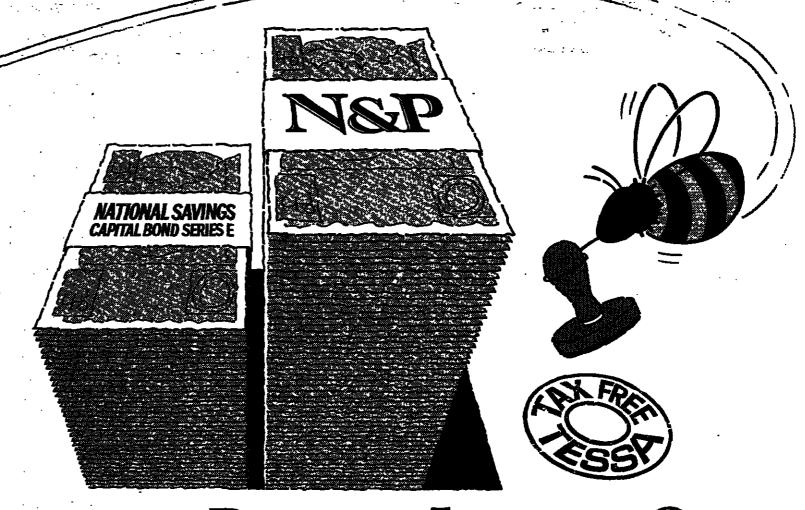
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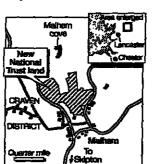
Seventy two acres acquired at Malham Cove as army of visitors marches in

Trust buys **Yorkshire** beauty spot

Mounting pressure from day-trippers makes the National Trust's latest purchase timely, reports Ronald Faux

SEVENTY TWO of the most heavily modden acres in Brit-ain below Malham Cove in the Yorkshire Dales National Park have been acquired by the National Trust. Lord Healey of Riddlesden, president of the trust's Yorkshire moors and dales appeal, announced the news yesterday as the daily influx of visitors began to arrive at the village of Malham. Some 750,000 people explore the area each

A donation from the Ken-sington and Chelsea Centre for the National Trust and funds from the Countryside Commission made the acquisition possible. The rolling fields bounded by dry-stone walls leading to the natural



bought from a local farmer whose cattle will still graze

This is exactly the sort of land the National Trust was the finest scenery in the Dales, but like many places it is feeling the pressure of tour-ism, just the sort of land the National Trust was set up to care for."

vhen he was aged six and has loved the place ever since. "I came here with my father who was in charge of Keighley Technical College. I was with my younger brother Terry who was carried while I had to walk.'

Not only is the area under enormous pressure from day visitors but the Pennine Way, among the most popular long-distance walks in Britain, runs across the fields. The way is marked by a gravel path that climbs the hill to the west of the cove where Kingsley's Water-Babies swam in a beck springing mysteriously from a sheer rock wall. The cove itself was vested to the people of Malham in the nineteenth century



Bright outlook: day-trippers enjoy the view near Malham. North Yorkshire. As well as its natural beauty, the area possesses rich archaeological remains

such a popular "honeypot" for tourism. The spectacular landscape value is due to the irregular network of limestone walls set against the green hillside which is itself terraced to add further contrast. Part of the area is marked by terraces or formed by the ploughs of Anglian farmers

who settled in the dales in the eighth and ninth centuries. In medieval times these gave way to the dry-stone walls, grey snail tracks of stone, which are a distinctive feature of the

Lengths of wall can be seen which are extremely primi-tive, being no more than linear stone mounds; others recognisably constructed but are not as well made as the typical seventeenth and eighteenth century dry-stone en-closures. At Malham enclosure was achieved gradually by mutual consent and, therefore, extended over a

The National Trust already owns 4.000 acres around

Malham Tarn which lies above the cove and officials said yesterday that the main objective will be to preserve the area as an outstandingly beautiful piece of countryside. That aim, however, creates its own problems. Malham is a village of about 100 people and 42 houses but a fine Sunday will bring in 2,000 visitors and 600 cars. One

cafe owner said: "They park everywhere. It can be a nightmare with the danger of three years. destroying the very thing they come here to enjoy." A recent traffic survey suggests that locals would welcome more

parking space and sterner measures against visitors who ignore the yellow lines in the

that the appeal was on target to achieving £750.000 over Maintaining the country-

side has become increasingly costly. Rebuilding one yard of dry-stone wall costs £15 and three yards of repaired footpath £25; £100 will establish an acre of heather in place of a traditional kissing gate

Fighting breaks out after gypsy weddings

BY BILL FROST

PUNCHES were thrown and knife fights broke out among 250 gypsies early yesterday wedding two celebrations.

The guests had returned to their temporary site after parties which left a hotel in Bedfordshire, wrecked". Violence flared as all the gypsies tried to leave the area through two narrow exits. Police in riot gear were drafted in as the wedding guests rammed each other's caravans and exchanged blows on the Milton Keynes site. A lorry was set alight and several other vehicles were damaged as fighting

A fire officer's car was destroyed as a lorry ploughed through a hedge. Gypsies later pelted fire engines with stones as they arrived to deal with the blaze

Seven police officers later accompanied a group of injured gypsies to Milton Keynes General Hospital Three arrests were made at

A police spokesman said: They all got home in the small hours and everyone decided to hitch their wagons and move on to pastures new at the same time. Unfortunately there were only two small exits from the site and with a couple of hundred vehicles trying to get out, it soon got out of hand. They were ramming each other and driving through hedges to get

The spokesman added: "It would have been foolish to have gone on to the site. They were fighting among them-selves so we just let them get on with it. We are monitoring their whereabouts in case they stay in one large group and converge on another area." Officers had attempted to take statements about the melée but the bruised and hung-over revellers had been

Minister takes the train to hear commuter grumbles

By Nicholas Watt

WITH notepad in hand and an earnest look on his face, Roger Freeman, the transport minister, braved the London. Tilbury and Southend train service vesterday to hear commuters' complaints about Britain's second worst railway

The man who said earlier this year that secretaries could have their own "cheap and cheerful" class of trains looked contrite as he mingled among the early morning Essex commuters at Pitsea station. "I'm here to listen to you. The quality of the service is not acceptable," he said.

Commuters hardly needed reminding. They complained about filthy carriages, late trains and a hopeless information service.

Before Mr Freeman had a chance to take notes, one commuter leant out of her carriage window and, as her train drew away, shouted: "You should come on this line more often. It's disgusting and I have to spend a fortune on dry-cleaning."

Mr Freeman's style was courteous, if a little aloof, on his journey from Pitsea to Fenchurch Street, with stops at Basildon and Laindon stations. Martyn Ranns, chairman of the Basildon Commuters' Association, said: "This is a dreadful service and people feel so strongly that we recently presented the government with a petition signed by 4.500 people." Mr Freeman

At the end of each commuter's rant, he checked he had understood the complaints and then outlined his plans for the line. "One way the service can be improved is to bring in the private sector and this line is a real candidate for the first private franchise in 1994 by leasing trains. If you can lea planes and coaches, why not do the same with trains? I've already started talking to the

City about this, he said. Some commuters were not impressed with Mr Freeman's performance. His comment about secretaries still runs

deep in Essex. Barbara Entwisle, a secretary in the City who travels from Basildon, said: "I feel patronised years." he said. that he should come down here after his rude comments about secretaries. It's a classic

know what it is like to travel every day on this line." Rachel Miller, also a secretary, thought Mr Freeman should travel on the line for six months to get a true idea of the

publicity stunt and he doesn't

Mr Freeman did not just talk to passengers. As he waited on platforms he strode up to guards who sat awkwardly in the wrong part of the trains because their cabins are out of order on the line. After a few brief words he told each guard: "That's a jolly smart uniform you're wear-ing." The style was Balliol man, rather than the Tebbit

Chingford touch. The journey, Mr Freeman's 50th public trip since taking office in 1990, was the idea of David Amess, Conservative MP for Basildon. He chose the route to take in the three stations in his constituency. "This is a dreadful service, even though my constituency's three stations contribute the largest percentage of revenue to Network SouthEast. This line has been dismal for

Mr Freeman thought the exercise worthwhile and nursed no more than a bruised leg after a carriage door struck him as a train drew into Basildon station.

"I think the journey was a proper discharge of my duties. It's the middle of August and I'm meant to be on holiday. I spoke to 35 passengers and have heard a catalogue of concerns ranging from clean-liness to reliability. The line is BR's poor relation."

He saw how unreliable the service was when two of the three trains were late and the one from Basildon to Laindon was cancelled. "The journey will not be contributing to the punctuality target," he said.

Although he was delayed,
Mr Freeman will not be able to claim any money back on his £5.30 ticket. Under BR's

passenger's charter. Network SouthEast trains have to be delayed for an hour to qualify for compensation. Even though one train was cancelled Mr Freeman would still not qualify as he was travelling

on a commuter line.



Track record: Roger Freeman gets travellers' views

'Save peat bogs' charter launched

BY KERRY GILL

CONSERVATIONISTS are to urge councils throughout Scotland to help to save endangered peatlands, many of which are considered important internationally. The move is part of a nationwide campaign to save peat bogs and to restrict the greenhouse effect

on the atmosphere. The Scottish Wildlife Trust wants councils to sign a protection charter that would make Scotland a "peat protection zone". Those signing will be committing themselves to phasing out the use of peat in landscaping and horticulture, to promoting the use of peat substitutes and to calling on the government to develop a strategy for saving peatlands.

The launch of the charter will coincide with the trust's "national bog day" next Sunday when several peat moss wildlife reserves will be opened to the public.

Nigei Doar, the trust's campaigns co-ordinator, said: With current and likely advances in the peat alternatives market, it should be perfectly feasible for local authorities to phase out their use of peat extracted from sites of special scientific interest by the end of 1993, and to phase out the use of horticultural peat altogether by the end of 1994."

The trust manages more than 80 reserves covering 18.000 hectares in Scotland and is a member of the Peatlands Conservation Consortium for the protection of Britain's peatlands. The trust says that peat bogs are important habitats for rare

organisms. They act as natural filters and water level regulators, maintaining the flow of clean water to streams and rivers, and supporting fish

Mr Doarsaid: "A living bog acts as a valuable sink for carbon dioxide. If it is drained, this releases the gas into the atmosphere, adding to the greenhouse problem."

The Twelfth dawns less than gloriously

Grouse shooting, which sustains many in the Highlands, this year threatens to be a disappointment, Kerry Gill writes

THE "Glorious Twelfth" of of this is the maintenance of August dawned to the crackle vehicles and payment for beatof guns from the moors of ers and those employed to pick Derbyshire to the hills of up the birds. While a wealthy Sutherland, but for almost visitor will be prepared to pay every shooting party today's bag promises to be a

disappointment.
Britain's 460 grouse moors. most of them in Scotland. expect a 20 per cent drop in the number of birds shot from today until the season ends on December 10. The annual bag is expected to fall to around 350,000, largely due to poor weather earlier in the year, predators and disease. Some estates have been forced to cancel shoots.

The decline in grouse populations over the past two decades has done nothing to put off an increasing number of Americans, Germans, French and Italians prepared to pay up to £1,000 for a day's shoot on Scotland's prime estates. As they join their hosts over a robust luncheon of wine, whisky and sandwiches. they will probably give little thought to the benefits they bring to the local economy. Without the grouse shoots, many small could not exist.

Last year, John Tinsley, who owns the 10,000-acre Corrybrough estate near Tomatin, welcomed about 200 "paying guests" to his moors. Having one of the best shoots in the Highlands, Mr Tinsley can command near top prices for a day's sport in a good year. Prospects this year, he said, were poor. Some estates can rake in as much as £250,000 during the grouse season, although few owners will admit to making much of a profit, pointing to the prodi-

gious upkeep of an estate. Corrybrough employs three full-time keepers, accounting for about £30,000 in wages. It pays out £20,000 in business rates and has to find between £15,000 and £20,000 a year to maintain estate roads. On top

visitor will be prepared to pay nearly £1,000 to rid the moors

of a few brace of grouse, most shoots charge less. Mr Tinsley, who had shooting parties out on Corry-brough for about 30 days last year, said: "In the end it becomes a very significant contribution to the local economy. The money goes firstly to the landowner but is soon spread around. No landowner makes out of shooting." he

For a village like Tomatin, south of Inverness, the income from foreign businessmen



Profit in the bag the Highland grouse

and from those south of the border is essential. Work on the estate is farmed out to local contractors, plant hire firms, garages and quarries. The keepers and their families are directly supported by the estate, and hotels and shops benefit from the visitors, who often stay for several days with their families.

Hotels in the Highlands, which depend on local young people for staff, could not remain open throughout the year without the cash generated from shooting parties. Without the paying guests a landowner could not support his keepers and their families.

Six held in £2.5m

NEWS IN BRIEF

drug raid Armed detectives seized cannabis resin worth £2.5 million

in a series of raids early

yesterday. The operation involved up to 60 officers from the regional crime squad and Customs and Excise. Six men, aged between 20 and 40, from the London area, Essex and Hertfordshire, were arrested and half a ton of cannabis was recovered from a vehicle. Two of those held were on a yacht recently arrived in Fowey, Cornwall, from Spain.

Sub hunted

Bill Garrett, from New Jersey. the great grandson of the man who designed the first powered submarine, hopes to lead an expedition to find the vessel, which sank off north Wales in February 1880. The Resurgam was powered by steam and had been tested by its designer, George Garrett, a Manchester clergyman. It sank in a storm while under tow to Gosport for Admiralty sea trials.

Flights cleared

A new British airline, First European, has been granted licences to start flying scheduled services from Gatwick to Paris and Nice in the autumn. The airline must satisfy the CAA of its financial fitness and obtain an operator's certificate.

Pottery found

Romano-British pottery nearly 2,000 years old has been found at a National Trust car park at Duckpool, near Bude, Cornwall. Other finds include an oven and a stone-lined pit.

Double vision

Minutes after workmen had finished painting 40mph speed limit signs on a road near Brockenhurst, Hampshire, a second group of con-tractors hired by the county council arrived to resurface the

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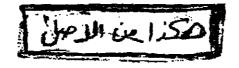
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Warring groups seek to exploit peace force as Serbs widen gains

AS THE United Nations Security Council and Nato planners debate the use of force to deliver humanitarian aid to Bosnia-Herzegovina, they are finding that the regional alliances are expert political manipulators. They will attempt to cajole, provoke or blackmail any international force into furthering their own aims.

Fearing intervention, hardline Bosnian Serb leaders are now rushing to expel about 28,000 Muslims to finish the job of "ethnically cleansing" nonhern Bosnia. As some Serb detention centres are closed, former inmates are bound to be among those awaiting deportation.

While Muslims and Croats have, like the Serbs, set up detention centres and traded hostage populations, the Serbs have held more prisoners and burnt more villages. This is because while there were large Muslim populations inland coveted by the Serbs, there have been few Serbs in the territory that the Croats want.

The armed forces of the selfproclaimed Serbian republic Bosnia-Herzegovina are now believed to control 70 per cent of Bosnia, even though Serbs represent only 31 per

cent of the population.
With hundreds of thousands of Muslims and Croats fleeing or being expelled from areas under their control, the Serbs will soon want to stop fighting. They will then offer help to aid convoys because they will have almost every thing they want and be sure that, thanks to their reign of terror, Muslim refugees and deportees will never return.

unlikely to stop as Croats and Muslims will try to roll back the Bosnian Serb army. If Serb gains or artillery positions are seriously threatened by foreign intervention, Bosnian Serb leaders are promising revenge. Aleksa Buha, minister of foreign affairs of the Bosnian Serb republic, has said: "Throughout Europe we have volun-teers, including kamikaze pilots, ready to attack nuclear

power plants." Remaining

pockets of resistance that the

Serbs need to crush are the

strategically important

However, the fighting is

POLITICAL GOALS

There are fears that, when the UN forces intervene, the Serbs will hold on to the areas they wanted, Tim Judah writes

Gorazde in the east and Bihac in the northwest.

Since the Serb-dominated Yugoslav Army bequeathed Bosnian Serbs a vast arsenal Radovan Karadzic, the Bosnian Serb leader, has been given the capacity to fight without

relying on Belgrade. Embroiled in the Bosnian conflict are fighters from Serb held territories in Croatia. These enclaves, known as the republic of Serbian Krajina. are now under the control of the United Nations Protection Force (Unprofor). Former solforms of the Krajina militia (police) were involved in fighting in nonthern Bosnia through which they drove a vital corridor, needed to link

atian Army troops retreated from northern Bosnia and the corridor fell to the Serbs. They had been spearheading units of Bosnian Croats who have their own army, the Croatian Defence Council.

However, over the past few days there have been reports of attacks from Croatia indicating that the corridor battle is not yet over. The Crosts want to cut the corridor in order to throttle the supply lines of Serbian Krajina. The Croats of Bosnia-Herzegovina, 17 per cent of the population, are divided be-

tween those who are in favour of an independent republic and the nationalists from westem Herzegovina who favour union with Croatia.

Three days ago, ten members of a Croat nationalist militia known as HOS were



shot dead by Bosnian Croat soldiers. Herzegovinan Croat leaders under Mate Boban have declared their own ministate known as the Croatian Community of Herceg-Bosna. Its leadership is close to Cro-atian President Tudjman. who dreams of recreating the frontiers of the planned autonomous Croatia of 1939. HOS wants to re-create the frontiers of the Croatian Nazi puppet

state of 1941, which included

whole Herzegovina The death of the HOS men was cenainly linked to a disagreement over the fate of the eastern Herzegovinian town, Trebinje. From here Serbs have been attacking Dubrovnik in Croatia since last October. Croatian troops

trying to take the town itself.

want to take the hills between Trebinje and Dubrovnik but HOS units are believed to be The Croatian government wants a full-scale foreign military intervention against Serbs and Serbia. This view is shared by the now Muslim dominated Bosnian government led by President Alija

Izetbegovic.

Muhamed Sacirbey, Bosnia's ambassador to the UN, described the proposition to use force to bring in aid as a plan to "fatten up (Bosnians) before the slaughter"

Of all three parties, the Bosnian Muslims, 44 per cent of the pre-war population, now have the least interest in a quick end to the war. "We are afraid that if international forces come to the region we will not be able to fight for our liberation," Mile Akmadzic, the secretary-general of the Bosnian presidency, said.

Muslims fear that any settlement now will leave them with small scraps of a Serbo-Croatian partitioned republic into which will flow hundreds of thousands of refugees.

For months there have been isolated reports of clashes between Bosnian Muslim soldiers and Bosnian Croats. The

which lies on the Split-to-Sarajevo land corridor. For the first time, Croatian Radio and President Tudjman have begun to talk about the threat of an Islamic state in Europe, echoing the official line of Bosnia's Serbs and the leader-

ship in Belgrade.
Opposed to the use of force in Bosnia are the UN peacekeepers whose mandate, apart from securing Sarajevo air-port, is the demilitarisation and control of Serb-held territories in Croatia. Officials point out that if an international force begins to fight Serbs their position will be untenable. The existing humanitarian air bridge to Sarajevo will probably collapse and the UN peacekeepers in Krajina could become targets

of Serbian wrath. High-level grumbling can e overheard in the corridors Unprofor's headquarters alleging that President Bush needs to bomb someone" to boost his flagging election

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NEWS IN BRIEF

Cyprus

talks to

restart

New York: The leaders of the two sides in Cyprus are expect-ed to hold their first substan-

tive face-to-face talks at the

United Nations today after

two months of UN-brokered

proximity talks to end the 18-

year partition of the island

Boutros Boutros Ghali, the

UN secretary-general, plans to

invite George Vassiliou, the internationally recognised Cypriot president, to meet

Rauf Denktash, the leader of

the breakaway Turkish-Cypri-ot state in northern Cyprus.

The UN leader who has

been spending a great deal of

his time personally negotiat-ing with the Cypriot leaders in

the belief that the dispute can

finally be settled, has conclud-

ed that the two sides are within

reach of an agreement on the

division of territory and the return of displaced persons.

Mr Denktash has been

under heavy international

pressure to make concessions

on both territory and dis-placed persons. Diplomats say

he has been willing to compro mise on the number of Greek

Cypriots displaced by the

Turkish invasion in 1974 who

will be able to return to their

homes in the north, or receive

The Turkish Cypriot leader

has so far refused to accept a

UN map that returns parts of

Morphou back to the Greek

Bordeaux: Violent storms at

the weekend destroyed about

2.500 acres of ripening grapes

in the Bordeaux region, offici-

als said. The unseasonal rain

and hail came in a season

which has suffered the worst

weather since 1977, according

to the Interprofessional Centre

of Bordeaux Wines.
The Medoc area was the

hardest hit, notably around the communities of Margaux,

Valeyrac, Queyrac, Begadan

and Gaillan, the centre report-

ed. The damage comes a year

after a brutal spring frost de-

stroyed much of the 1991

Storms hit

vineyards

compensation.

(James Bone writes).

French lead the way with offer of ground troops for Bosnia

By Michael Evans, defence correspondent

MILITARY officials from the Western European Union, the nine-nation defence organisation, are due to meet in Rome tomorrow to ascertain who is prepared to send troops to protect humanitarian land convoys through Bosnia-Herzegovina. The response is expected to be limited.

The only WEU member which has already made it clear that ground troops will be made available is France. All the other members, including Britain, envisage more of a supporting role. French defence ministry sources said yesterday that the number of troops in the area could be boosted to more than 5,000 if a request was made for an

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France currently has 3.000

Bihac, Captain Ljubisa

Markovic peered through bin-

oculars at two Serb soldiers

crossing a field below. Whis-

pering because they were so

close, he said: "I am the only

Serb who can walk through Bosnia with his head held

high." The rest of his Bosnian

Nothing is simple in Bosnia

but at least on paper the battle

of the "Bihac pocket" seems

straightforward. An over-whelmingly Muslim enclave surrounded by hostile attack-

ing Serbs. Of course it is not that simple — but it is in the details, the personal nitty gritty, that one grasps the evil

wrench of civil war.

army officer.

For his Muslim comrades

Captain Markovic is the living

embodiment of the "civil

state" they are fighting for. He is proof that Bosnians exist and not just Serbs. Muslims

and Croats. Captain Markovic

is a Buddhist, does not come

from Bosnia, and was until

three months ago a Yugoslav

from Kosovo, the southern

Serbian province overwhelm-

ingly populated by Albanians

and the cradle of Serbian nationalism. "When the army

pulled out and I decided to

stay behind they rang up my family and said I had become

Captain Markovic comes

Army unit are Muslims.

ted Nations in Crnatia and Bosnia. One infantry battalion of about 900 men is in Serbruled Kraiina, along the border with Bosnia, monitoring militias in the area and protecting Bosnian refugees. There is also a logistics battalion, serving the whole UN peacekeeping force, running supplies from Zagreb and Belgrade, and another banal-

ion in Sarajevo. Yesterday France also said it would send Awacs, early warning planes, to monitor the Adriatic. The sources in Paris said that a force of 1,000

soldiers equipped with light armoured vehicles was ready to leave for the area within 24 troops working with the Uni- hours to help protect land Buddhist captain

people. It was a difficult deci-

sion but, if I had left, my

conscience would have both-

ered me for the rest of my life."

Most Serbs have left Bihac,

where they were a small

minority, many of whom were army families. "My mother was furious. She said I must

have become a Muslim and

joined the (Muslim militia)

Green Berets." Captain

Markovic sports the stylish

blue T-shirt of the Bosnian

Army. "This is the first time in

their history that the Serbs

have been on the side of evil.

Markovic's Croatian com-

rade-in-arms explained one of

the ways that the Serb-be-

sieged "Bihac pocket" ac-

quires arms. Buying them from the Serbs. of course.

Tomislav Dretar, the rotund.

bearded leader of a small unit

of local Croat soldiers was a

poet before the war. "People who have something to offer know each other," chuckles Mr Dretar. "I bought an amiaircraft gun for £1,350 from a Serb officer who had trolor."

Serb officer who had stolen it.

It was a face-to-face deal. He

smuggled it in here piece by

piece over five days."

Must be bad karma."

holds head high

FROM TIM JUDAH IN BIHAC

HIGH in the woods above an enemy of the Serbian

convoys, and another 1,000 troops could be ready to leave within a fortnight. France also has nine helicopters on standby, five Gazelles for observation and three Pumas for transporting troops. British contingency plan-

ning has focused on supplying logistical support, such as communications and further medical personnel to add to the 300 members of the field ambulance unit already in Croatia. However, it is becoming increasingly likely that Britain will eventually agree to supplying ground troops as well - probably an armoured reconnaissance regiment of about 600 men - to protect the convoys. Britain might also supply Harrier and Jag-uar aircraft to provide air cover for the humanitarian convoys.

German defence ministry sources said that Bonn would not be sending troops or any other form of military assistance to Bosnia or Čroatia. Even military drivers have been discounted because of the constitutional difficulties over sending troops abroad. Germany's contribution will be restricted to the one warship in the Adriatic and the regular aid flights from Zagreb to Sarajevo. However, it might be possible to help with logistics from Italy. If the

Italian government agreed.

Holland is to consider its possible contribution over the next two days. A letter is being sent to parliament from the defence ministry and foreign affairs ministry outlining the role the Dutch could play. Although no decision has been made, it seems likely that Dutch participation will be

restricted to logistical support, rather than infantry.

Italian foreign ministry sources said the government was waiting to see what requests were made by the UN before contemplating a role for Italy's forces. However, the sources emphasised the traditional rule that in peacekeep-ing missions countries which bordered the region of conflict were generally excluded from

providing troops.

Belgian foreign affairs ministry sources said that Belgium already had 600 troops serving in the northeastern part of Croatia with the UN and felt that was a significant contribution. WEU sources said that Spain and Portugal were expected to send only "token forces", if there was a UN request for more military



Faceless fighter: a Bosnian Serb irregular soldier, hiding his identity behind a balaclava, is taking cover during the continuing Serbian onslaught on the Muslim town of Konjic, in eastern Herzegovina, yesterday

Militiamen allow in more relief convoys

By Our Foreign Staff

YUGOSLAV factions, shaken by world outrage over humanitarian conditions in the former federation, are allowing more relief convoys through than before, a UN aid official said on Tuesday.

"We're able to move more and more food by land," Sylvana Foa, the spokeswom-an for the UN High Commis-sioner for Refugees (UNHCR), told a news conference in Geneva.

Land convoys, combined with more expensive airlifts. have enabled severe hunger to be averted or alleviated throughout most of the former Yugoslav republic of Bosnia. focus of the current fighting. Major Muhamed Kresevlja-

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kovic in Sarajevo said on Monday the city's flour supply was nearly gone and supplies were "a matter of life and death". But Sylvana Foa said there was plenty of flour. "What we really need is fresh

Sylvana Foa said the refugees office, which had asked for 150 trucks, now had more than 60 trucks there and more were on their way. Land convoys are now going in somewhere in former Yugoslavia every day. One arrived at the besieged city of Sarajevo on Monday and another went into the major town of Bihac at the weekend.

The penetration into Bihac. in northwestern Bosnia, was a major victory. The UNHCR had warned on Friday that Bihac, with a population of 250,000 to 300,000, could become another Sarajeyo. She said three trucks carrying medicine, 24 tonnes of flour and 10 tonnes of fish. cooking oil and cheese arrived on Saturday, the first convoy

since July 6. Meanwhile, the European Commission said yesterday that it is urgently trying to tighten a trade embargo against Yugoslavia by checking trucks transiting Serbia to ensure that no goods are

illegally delivered inside the

Helicopter raid

Ajacrio: Thieves using a hi-jacked helicopter stole 10 mil-lion francs (£1 million) from a waiting aircraft at Bastia airport, Corsica, police said. The thieves held crew and passengers at gunpoint while search-ing for bags of the company Securipost, a mail service which transports money.

Rebels attack

Moscow: Nearly 150 armed rebels in western Georgia attacked police in two separate raids, killing one officer, Tass reported. Ten officers were taken hostage in the village of Tskhorotsku. (Reuter)

'Mutants' kill

Moscow: Hundreds of people poisoned and dozens killed in Russia and Ukraine this summer may have been the victims of a "mutant" strain of toadstool which has an appearance similar to harmless, edible mushrooms.(Reuter)

Greens protest

Amsterdam: Environmentalists are campaigning to block the sale of a white chrysanthemum, Europe's first ge-netically engineered flower, because they fear damage to other plants through crosspollination, (Reuter)

Russia displays its jet fighters for sale

FROM MARY DEJEVSKY IN MOSCOW

R ussia yesterday opened a hitherto closed region of the Moscow district and displayed the fruits of a dozen or more top-secret research institutes in an attempt to interest Western buyers in one of the country's few marketable manufactures — aeroplanes. For the rest of this week the previously secret Zhukovsky aerodrome. 25 miles east of Moscow, is staging Russia's first commercial air show.
culminating at the weekend
with a flying display that will be open to Russians and

foreigners alike. Opening the show. Aleksandr Rutskoi, the vice-president and former air force pilot, described the event as

further proof that Russia was being reborn as a state and as a great power. However, a bitter note was injected by one of Russia's leading aircraft designers, who accused the West in a newspaper interview of trying to keep Russia out of the aviation

Rostislav Belyakov, chief designer of the firm which makes MiG fighters, said that it was wrong to think of the Russia's military aircraft industry as prosperous because it sold jets. "We sell nothing. Not a single plane was sold in 1991." He said Russians had no experience of marketing planes and designers were never invited to accompany

sales delegations. Western aircraft competitors, he said. have a clear goal, to oust Russia from all sectors.

esterday, the opening day of the Moscow air show, all planes in production in Russia, including the latest MiG and Sukhoi fighters and the Buran space shuttle, were lined up in a half-mile row on the tarmac. Strategically placed ladders allowed visitors to inspect the cockpits, and notices displayed each plane's vital statistics size. top speed, take-off and landing distances - information until recently classified, even for civilian passenger aircraft.

As well as the latest fighter

planes, there were the giant cargo planes, used through the winter to bring Western aid to Russia, amphibious planes that service the northern oil and gas pipelines, down to microlights and hang-gliders. In the view of some specialists, the most marketable of all the planes on display were the tiny executive jets, cheaper than their Western equivalents.

No one could forget that the planes were being displayed in what used to be the Soviet Union. There was almost no advertising. Finding out where and when the show would take place was like a treasure hunt, with clues scattered around Moscow.

Appointments in war on Mafia renew Rome political passions

FROM PHILIP WILLAN IN ROME

ITALIAN judicial authorities have appointed an interim head of the new national anti-Mafia prosecutor's office and removed the much criticised chief public prosecutor of Palermo in a climate of contro-versy bedevilling the state's war on organised crime.

The appointment of Giu-seppe Di Gennaro, a respect-ed judge in the Court of Cassation, the country's highest court, was announced on Monday. He is a former director of the United Nations body responsible for fighting the international drugs trade. Critics pointed out that Si-

gnor Di Gennaro, kidnapped by left-wing terrorists in 1975, did not have the ten years' experience as an investigating magistrate or public prosecutor required by law. Even more controversial was the decision by the Superi-

or Council of the Magistrature (CSM), the governing body of Italian magistrates, to transfer Pietro Giammanco, Palermo's chief public prosecutor, to the Court of Cassation in an attempt to placate his colleagues, angered at the failure to protect the top Mafia investigators. Giovanni Falcone and Paolo Borsellino, killed in

bomb attacks. The CSM member Luciano Santoro accused Signor Giammanco of indirect responsibility Borsellino's death and accused him of blocking the work of both Falcone and Borsellino.

Tensions were heightened by the decision of the justice minister. Claudio Martelli, to open an investiga-tion into the activities of Agostino Cordova, chief public prosecutor in the Calabrian town of Palmi and a candidate to succeed Signor Di Gennaro as the country's chief anti-



Furious Bush brands as lie report of 1984 affair with secretary

FROM MARTIN FLETCHER IN WASHINGTON

PRESIDENT Bush, transparently livid, last night denounced as a lie a newspaper report that claimed that as vice-president he had an extramarital affair with his former appointments secretary.

In a riveting exchange during a live press conference in Kennebunkport with Yitzhak Rabin, the Israeli prime minister, the president damned the television reporter who dared to confront him with the report. Mr Bush rebuked her for asking such a "sleazy question", declared that he was outraged, and insisted:

Rumours of an affair between Mr Bush and the secretary, Jennifer Fitzgerald. have long titillated Washington, but the tabloid New York Post yesterday became the first newspaper to make the charge publicly with a named source in a three-page report, includ-ing a six-inch front-page headline: The Bush Affair.

The article, published just six days before the Republican convention, was based largely on third-hand information and was denounced as "total trash" by the Bush campaign. but it has nevertheless dragged the issue irrevocably into the public domain and threatens to transform the 1992 election campaign into one of the ugliest on record. Until now it has been Bill Clinton, the Democratic presi-

dential nominee, who has been affected by allegations of adultery, with many Republicans threatening to make a big campaign issue out of his alleged affair with Gennifer Flowers, a former Arkansas nightclub performer. Mr Bush, deliberately exploiting his opponent's vulnerability on that score, has been carnpaigning hard as the candidate of trust, morality and family values.

Mary Matalin, political director of the Bush campaign. accused the Democrats of inspiring the Post story, claiming that they had been ped-dling the "trashy book" on which it was based to umpteen reputable newspapers, who had all rejected it. She denounced the Democrats for "typical negative, trashy, sleazy campaigning efforts"

The Clinton camp had certainly made it abundantly

clear that it would respond in kind if the Republicans raised the Flowers allegations. Aides have urged reporters to investigate the Fitzgerald rumours. Hillary Clinton fired a warning shot in the May issue of Vanity Fair by alluding direct-ty to the president's "Jennifer", as opposed to her own husband's Genniter.

The Post story was based on

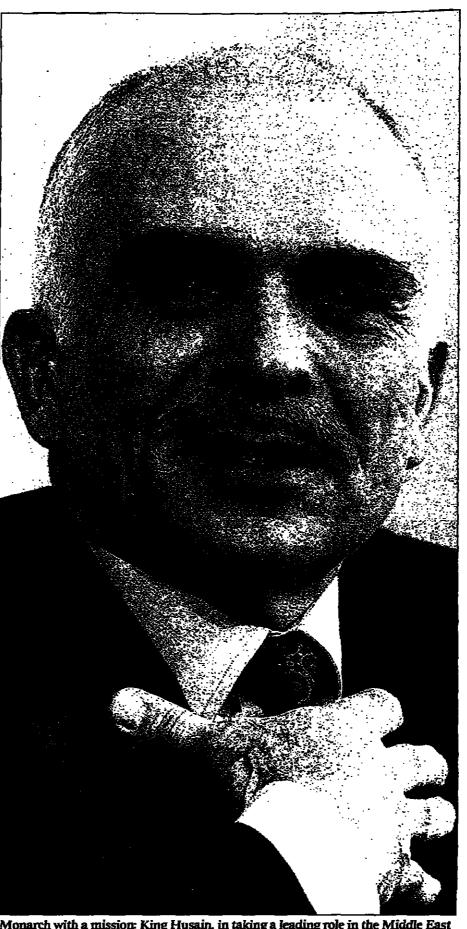
an interview purportedly given by Louis Fields, former US arms control ambassador in Geneva, details of which appear in a footnote in a new book titled Power House by Susan Trento, former chief staff aide to a Republican congressman. According to Mrs Trento, Mr Fields lunched with her husband Joe, then an investigative re-porter with Cable News Network, two years before the ambassador's death in 1988. He told him of what the Post called a "Swiss tryst" between Mr Bush and Ms Fitzgerald in 1984, while the vice-president was on an official visit to Geneva and Barbara Bush was on a book promotion tour in the US.

Mr Fields allegedly said he was asked to arrange for the pair to use a private guest house during their visit. They stayed in adjoining bedrooms, there was no household staff. and he had to "help make certain arrangements for the laundry, that kind of thing". He is quoted as saying: "It became clear to me that the vice-president and Ms Fitzgerald were romantically involved and this was not a business visit. It made me very uncomfortable. After I left the government, I realised how serious all this was."

Rumours that the Post was about to divulge details of a Bush affair caused a Wall Street panic during the 1988 presidential election, but they were quashed by the president's eldest son, George, who told Newsweek that "the answer to the big A (adultery) question is NO."

Ms Fitzgerald was abroad yesterday. Mrs Bush told reporters at her holiday home that "fortunately" she had not seen the Post report.

Husain emerges as Middle East peace broker



Monarch with a mission: King Husain, in taking a leading role in the Middle East peace process, faces one of his biggest challenges as Jordan's leader

The king is setting the pace for the turn to democracy in Jordan and steering the Arab world towards stability, writes Richard Beeston from Amman

hilltop Basman palace, he can afford a little self-indulgent pride at the sight of the orderly capital below him.

Exactly 40 years ago, when the 17-year-old prince came to the throne, the dusty little outpost on the eastern heights of the Jordan Valley would barely have qualified for town status and its prospects, as well as that of the new monarch, looked bleak in the turbulent world of the Middle

Today, however, Amman's suburban calm stands out from the overcrowding of Cairo, the disintegration of Beirut, the decay of Damascus and the over-development of Tel Aviv. Similarly, the young cadet from Sandhurst has also matured into the longest-serving ruler in the Middle East.

Jordan's commentators lost no time yesterday in praising their ruler. The king counts among the top statesmen of the world," Nasser Tahboub, a professor of political science, said. "If one is to apply a scale of 0 to 10, then the king deserves the full 10 points." With that sort of praise it is hardly surprising that the Jordanian monarch allowed himself a small dose of self-congratulation this week when he reprimanded Arab regimes for resisting change and urged them to adopt Jordan's reforms towards democracy. The kingdom, which next year plans to have the first multiparty elections since 1954, may be economically vulnerable and outnumbered militarily by its neighbours, but it regards itself as the model future Arab

"We realise that we exist in a non-oil-producing land, but we have built a coherent society and we have set the basis for our pioneering democratic experiment." King Husain said in a speech to the Royal War Academy.

His optimism is in contrast to the past two years of his rule when Jordan has seen itself isolated in the Arab world and the West for its support of President Saddam Hussein of Iraq during the Gulf war.

hen King Husain sur-veys Amman from his feuding with Saudi Arabia and Egypt, he has begun to emerge from his isolation; a point made by his visit this year to Washington to meet President Bush and recent attempts to distance himself from Iraq by cutting down on the supply of goods travelling to Baghdad through Jordan.

Yet King Husain, 57, now faces what is possibly his greatest challenge as Jordan prepares to take a leading role in the Middle East peace talks, due to reconvene on August 24 in Washington More than any other partici-pant, the Hashemite kingdom is regarded by Arabs and Israelis alike as the catalyst to bringing a peaceful solution to the Palestinian problem.

Fayez Tarawnen, a Jordanian member of the Palestinian-Jordanian delegation to the talks, predicted that, with the advent of the Labour-led government in Israel, it might now be possible to negotiate the transfer of power from Israeli occupation to autonomy for the 1.8 million Palestinians in the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

Jordan, sensitive to Palestinian fears that it intends to reimpose its rule over the West Bank, is adamant that it is merely interested in helping facilitate the transitional

K ing Husain will face two ies, Yitzhak Rabin, the Israeli leader and the man who commanded Israeli forces when they captured the West Bank, then under Jordanian control, and Yassir Arafal, the PLO leader who has been an adversary of the king since

King Husain has rightly calculated that the peace dividend for Jordan, in terms of political stability and economic prosperity, would be enormous. But he must also appreciate that if the initiative fails, either through resistance by one or more parties or a change of administration in Washington, the view from the royal palace may not look so attractive.

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Scoop US media refused to break

From Ben Macintyre in New York

THE tale of "the other Jennifer", the scoop that never quite President Bush for more than a decade. Never substantiated. the subject of allusion but never investigation, rumours of extra-marital infidelity in the president's past have been discussed so often in the back parlours of Washington that they long ago reached the status of accepted fact. Still the American media declined to

explore the matter. That has now changed, with the decision by The New York Post to publish assertions by a former - and now dead - US ambassador that he arranged a romantic tryst for the then Vice-President George Bush and a top aide, Jennifer Fitzgerald, at a Swiss guest house



Rice: romantically linked to Gary Hart

tend to give one of two reasons to explain why "the affair thing" has never before seen the dear light of day: one is the fear that such an explosive story would jeopardise relations between the White House and whichever news organisation broke the story; the other is that there has hitherto been little to investigate. The fact that President John Kennedy could enjoy a quite startling string of extramarital affairs without media comment is often cited as evidence of an earlier moral code; in fact, it has more to do with the American media's traditional reluctance, for reasons of patriotism more than morality, to explore the presi-dential sex life. This is a

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tendency from which President Bush has, until now, benefited.

In the past more time has been spent discussing why the president's possible infidelity has not been discussed, than discussing it. In February one of the country's leading political journalists, R.W. Apple of The New York Times, referred to Jennifer Fitzgerald at a university seminar and later said on television: "It is not a name that is unknown in any newsroom in Washington, any political salon in Washington, any congressional office. It is know everywhere, and it is not used." Whispers of Mr Bush's extra-marital excursions long predate his 1988 campaign, usually focusing on Ms Fitzgerald, who

after the Watergate scandal.

Also in 1988, when Gary Hart's bid for the presidency failed after evidence of his romantic link to Donna Rice, a journalistic code of some sort appeared to have been established, and many expected similar allegations to appear about Mr Bush and Jennifer

The long-running ethical debate within the American media over whether to publish stories of extra-marital affairs by public figures has boiled down to the vague conclusion that those who claim purity of word and deed should be judged by those standards - a rather pointless distinction since no politician has ever run for office while admitting being a philandering, drunken crook.

Bill Clinton has managed to defuse much of the poison in the Flowers scandal with a "nobody's perfect" defence, a strategy not open to Mr Bush, whose campaign so far has been fuelled largely by selfreferential appeals to "tradi-

tional family values". President Bush and his advisers may not want to believe that the American media is prepared to print such allegations, but as most of the country's newspapers yesterday prepared to follow up the Post's "Bush had Swiss tryst" story, they no longer appear to have a choice.

Kaunda held for illegal meeting in Zambia

Zambian president, Kenneth Kaunda, for several hours in the Eastern Province town of Chadiza, allegedly for holding an illegal meeting, a newspaper reported yesterday.

Dr Kaunda, who was in the town to campaign for his eldest son. Panji, in a parliamentary by election, was arrested with his former prime minister, Kebby Musokotwane, as they addressed residents in the remote area. bordering on Mozambique, The Times of Zambia reported. They were released some hours later.

President Yeltsin of Russia will visit Japan from September 13 to 16 for talks on a dispute over Russian-held Kurile islands claimed by Japan, a government spokesman said

Li Rnihuan, China's leading communist official in charge of arts and culture, has urged

Police detained the former artists to strike out in new directions, promising that any work "that is not against the constitution" will be allowed. He said China's artists and authors should no longer be required to twist their art to serve Peking's political ends, the official People's Daily said.

> The Mexican sports minister, Raúl González, has resigned after Mexico's dismal showing in the Barcelona Olympics - a solitary silver medal in the 50kilometer walk.

Jim Bolger, the New Zealand prime minister, formally apologised in parliament for offending any women by his description of Australia's Victoria state premier, Joan Kirner, as a "fat lady".

The Pope, convalescing from intestinal surgery, may still take an Alpine holiday that was initially cancelled, the Vatican said.

Deng's reforms suffer as police batons punish rioting investors

FROM REUTER IN SHENZHEN

POLICE beat and herded would-be stock investors in the southern city of Shenzhen yesterday after riots which hit at the heart of China's economic reform drive.

Local authorities, desperate to restore order after a night of violence, continued issuing 500,000 share tickets late into the night to calm thousands of angry investors who missed their chance in a disorderly sale of stock application forms at the weekend. After the trouble on the streets, panic also struck China's two stock exchanges, which are in the vanguard of the reform cam-

paign of Deng Xiaoping, the country's senior leader. On the Shanghai market, reopened in 1990 after being closed for more than 40 years by the Communists, prices of shares reserved for Chinese citizens crashed more than 11 per cent. In Shenzhen, the authorities halted trading at midday after a similar freefall. Outside dozens of banks throughout Shenzhen, police-men forced those hoping to

buy tickets to squat in groups of about 300 in blazing summer heat, witnesses said. By 11 pm many banks had closed, but thousands of frustrated, weary people still stood in queues snaking some 300

yards from two banks in the city centre. Many stood in pools of sewage and thou-

sands of crushed plastic water bottles, the filth created over four days by the one million would-be shareholders who invaded the city last Saturday. Dozens of shoes, lost by their owners at the height of the

confusion, added to the squa-

lor. Riot police swinging wooden clubs charged the

crowds several times to chase off hordes of sightseers, while other police dragged suspected queue-jumpers out of the crowd, beating them merci-lessly. One policeman repeatedly fired a stun gun, sending purple flashes into the night and scattering terrified investors and onlookers.

Shenzhen, an industrial city which has grown out of paddy fields in little more than a decade, has become a key test of the economic reforms of Mr Deng. Analysts in Peking said the riot could not have come in a worse place or at a worse time for Mr Deng. He used Shenzhen early this year to launch his latest national reform, drive and the violence could give powerful ammuni-tion to hardliners who fear the move away from communist doctrine. A boom on China's stock markets has lured vast numbers of ordinary people wanting to get rich fast to the share issue. In such an atmosphere of hysteria, the stock application forms have be-come a prized commodity.

Neutrals warn West

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on rights

Jakarta: The non-aligned movement, in a joint statement prepared by Indonesia for next month's summit, is warning the West against using human rights and environment. ronmental concerns to inter-fere in the affairs of developing countries.

The statement will be debated and refined by leaders of 104 countries meeting here from September 1. "It is a draft which expresses the broad concerns of the movement and in some parts goes beyond our expectations," Latin American envoy said. Indonesia proposes in the statement, drawn up after consultations with other members, that the non-aligned countries support human rights values. But it says these must be considered in the context of a country's social. economic and cultural traditions. The draft says protectionism and inward-looking trading blocs threaten free world trade. (Reuter)

Belt tightened

Quito: Sixto Durán Ballén, a conservative, assumed the presidency of Ecuador with a warning that the people would have to accept more sacrifices from planned free market reforms designed to bolster the economy of the oil-exporting country. Señor Durán Ballén, who lost two previous presidential attempts, pledged an end to state intervention in the economy and welcomed foreign investment (Reuter)

Law delayed

Jakarta: President Suharto of Indonesia issued a government regulation which post-poned by one year the implementation of a tough traffic law which had been the target of mounting popular protests. (AFP)

Volcano erupts

Manila: The Mount Pinatubo volcano in north Philippines has begun its second eruption in 14 months, scientists said. The government has put on alert rescue units ready to evac-uate 70,000 people in imminent danger.

Japan's beauty spot turned into hamburger city

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FROM the way people go on about it in Tokyo, you would expect Wakkanai, Japan's equivalent of John O' Groats to be a ruggedly beautiful wilderness inhabited only by a few foxes, wild deer and the odd hoary farmer wandering about chewing tirelessly on an ear of corn. But bucolic bliss it most certainly is not.

Cupboard-sized beauty parlours are sandwiched between pinball centres and Happy Eater hamburger drive-ins. There is a toy emporium called Bon Bon that sells seven varieties of inflatable baboon, there are "business hotels" called Tweetie Pie and America House, and some magnate from out of town has plonked a cement works right on the harbour front, a corner of town which, in days gone by, might charitably have been described as

But the people of Wakkanai

are a happy and proud lot, since geography has bestowed many honours upon their town. Here at latitude 45 degrees north, level with Milan, the Crimea, and Montreal, Wakkanai is the farthest north you can get in Japanese eyes and still count yourself civilised. Wakkanai boasts the longest day in summer and the shortest in winter. It is the proud home of Japan's second-tallest lighthouse, its fourth-longest "scenic driving course", its ninth most beautiful coastline, and its twelfth "nicest" climate, by whose reckoning it is not

Wakkanai also daims the questionable honour of having more waterfront buildings per capita (a total of 764 grey blocks) than any other port, something which I cannot dispute since I gave up counting at 127. And then there is the

Wakkanai landscape garden which, according to the guide book, is noted for its tranquility and its careful blending of traditional architecture with nature's own ponds, trees, streams and stones. You can experience a little

of the garden's peace by looking at the photographs. Unruffled ponds mirror gently bending pine trees and banks of azaleas. Butterflies settle on centuries-old boulders, and the soft wooden boards of the tea-house verandahs look as if they have hosted marry contemplative would-be poets.

The park seems to have all the attributes for a place on a Scenic Japan Calendar, but the photographs must have. been taken very early in the morning. Yesterday an awful lot of people had turned up on the first leg of their three-day 'O-Bon" summer break, to soak up the peace and quiet.

Babies shrieked, children yelled and fell into the unruf-fled ponds, businessmen drank sake and staggered about, and thousands of people followed dozens of uniformed guides, each holding a flag in one hand and a megaphone in the other to keep their charges from straying into rival groups.

Smoothing teenage cou-ples lingered at the back listening to the Beach Boys singing about good vibrations at a volume which must have been audible in Vladivostok. These are the ancient twin

pines that have inspired please don't trample on the prease ton't trainple on the azaleas — that have inspired poets and painters..., the guides soldiered on with the help of their klazons, competing with a chorus of clicking camera shutters and a Japanese pop group singing I.
Want You Sexyyy Babyyy.

buy plastic replicas in the souvenir shop by the bus stop. Madam, I would respectfully ask you to restrain your son who has just stuck bubble gum on the temple gate ... Kindly keep moving as we are completely blocking the path now, and the bus leaves in two-and-a-half minutes."

• Peking: A Soviet helicopter carrying Japanese tourists crashed near the Great Wall on the outskirts of Peking yesterday, killing at least 16 people, a Japanese embassy official said. The helicopter was carrying 17 Japanese tourists, a Japanese tour agent and six Chinese, including the crew and a guide. Fifteen people died at the

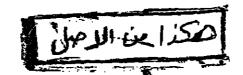
crash site and one died later

"This is the pond of a

thousand years, and this an-

cient stone lantern was made

100 years ago. You can see how ancient it is, and you can



De Klerk draws black radical group into fresh round of talks

FROM MICHAEL HAMLYN IN JOHANNESBURG

been its natural ally, was allowed to grow, pass and die without its influence.

Today, two years after its

unbanning by President de Klerk, the PAC is still a force to

be reckoned with, at least on a

platform or in the media.

Whether it has a mass follow-

ing on the ground has not been adequately tested.

vociferous demonstrators at

mass meetings tend to wear PAC T-shirts. The thugs who beat up journalists at the

Boipatong funeral in June chanted PAC slogans.

Today the main strength of the PAC is that it is ready as a

radical alternative to the ANC,

if the latter's radicals consider

it to have sold out to the white

regime. "The non-racialism of

the ANC is not to everyone's taste," Professor Lodge says.
"It has provided a useful home for African intellectuals who

are sidelined by the conspicu-

ous role that the whites play in

the ANC councils."

Certainly many of the more

IN A significant pointer to the likely resumption of constitutional talks between the white government of South Africa and the ANC, the ANC's black radical rival, the Pan Africanist Congress, last night went into a meeting with ministers of President de Klerk's

It was not the first time the two sides have met - they had a meeting last April in Nigeria after the congress's refusal to join the earlier forum for constitutional talks, the Convention for a Democratic South Africa (Codesa). Nothing seemed to come out of that meeting, and the congress maintained its insistence that the only forum for talks would have to be outside South Africa and under a neutral chairman

The indications are that the apparent collapse of Codesa, and the urgings of Cyrus Vance the UN special representative here, have apparently led to a softening of the

Dikgang Moseneke, the deputy president of the congress, said before last night's talks that they would discuss a new negotiating forum, but that the only item on the forum's agenda should be the demand for an elected constituent assembly.

Since the government has long said it accepts the idea of such an assembly, there would appear to be little difficulty about this demand, though the government would obviously prefer to have a more ornate conference than the congress has in mind.

The apparent readiness of the PAC to enter into talks indicates that the main black organisation, the African National Congress, cannot be far behind. The PAC would be unwilling to be outflanked by an organisation it considers to be ready to sell out the black

"If the PAC is willing to talk about entry into negotiations. how much more willing will Mandela be," Professor Tom Lodge, the Witwatersrand University expert on black

breakaway from the mainstream of the ANC. In 1958 the ANC was riven by disputes between the Africanists and the leftists. The Africanists believed that the black movement should not be so much in the hands of white Commu-nists, and Robert Sobukwe eventually led his followers in a dramatic walkout from a Transvaal meeting in Novem-

ber of that year. In March of the following year the PAC was founded, and a good deal of rivalry for the support of the black com-

31 of the following year, the PAC undercut it by announc-ing its own protest for ten days earlier. In the course of the March 21 protest, 69 people were killed and 180 injured by panicking policemen at Sharpeville. By March 28 the government had prepared leg-islation banning both the ANC and the PAC and at the beginning of April the leadership of both went either into

Sobukwe spent nine years in jail and died while under a banning order in Kimberley in February 1978. The PAC continued without him and began the process of tearing itself to pieces. In Dar-es-Salaam, this process led to an actual shooting war breaking

The organisation from then on lacked both the charismatic leadership of the ANC, and anything of its organisational abilities. Its history in exile was largely one of missed opportunities. Its Poqo guerrilla movement was much less effective than the ANC's, and the Black Consciousness Movement of Steve Biko, which might have

Time stands still

mudslide smashed A through the wall of Simla Masonic lodge a few days ago, coming to a halt knee-deep in the main hall. The queen of hill stations never did get its drainage right, and hillsides cascade

W. Tark

The tin-roofed lodge was a social hub for seven months of the year when the Rai transported itself to Simla (nowadays Indianised to Shimla) for the E.O. summer. founder and first Masonic master in 1915, looks down imperiously on his dying creation from above the fireplace.

The lodge is tucked behind Christ Church, a Gothic structure, now a shabby yellow and with many smashed windows. But a fresco around the chancel window designed Rudyard Kipling's father. Lockwood, has sur-



vived the abuse. He was principal of the Mayo school of art in Lahore.

Two of the three clocks on the tower stopped at half past eight years ago, and the other one staggered on to half past ten before turning

The Roman Catholic church down the hill is not much better off, but Father Thomas manages to muster enough Anglo-Indians for

Sunday Mass. Much of old Simla is neglected and crumbling, but even when it was new it was a shambles. Sir Edwin Luryens, the creator of New Delhi said it must have been designed by very clever monkeys who should be shot in case they did it

Rothney Castle, home of Sir Allan Octavian Hume, the eccentric Scotsman who founded the Indian National Congress, has been

Transparence of the comment of the control of

political movements, noted. The PAC itself was once a

munity ensued.

After the ANC announced a pass-book protest for March prison or abroad.

out among PAC factions.

SIMLA NOTEBOOK by Christopher Thomas

in Raj hill resort

partly demolished. The Congress party, which has ruled India since 1947 with a few unimportant interruptions, has talked for years about acquiring the castle for a museum. It sits empty and neglected overlooking Simla on a perch called into the town every Jakhu Hill; soon there may monsoon. be nothing left to acquire.

After Colonel Hume returned to Britain in 1894, the building was used as a German diplomatic mission and then a convent. A Wilsey, Delhi businessman has been knocking it around of late because he thought it might make a hotel. Elsewhere in the resort.

Gaiety Theatre, a vital insti-tution in the Raj's summer social whirl, is the home of the Simla Amateur Dramatic Society. S. Damodaran, the manager, is custodian of several photograph albums dating from 1894 showing elaborately costumed productions, with titles such as Red Lamp. Masks and Faces and Burgiar and the Judge.

The theatre's 265 padded red seats are unchanged from British times: the VIP box used by Lord Mountbatten of Burma looks like it has not had a lick of paint since he was there last. Although there is a production every two or three weeks, the Gaiety is now principally used as a private

The Mall is a long wind-

ing road where Raj officials and officers took the evening air without having to meet Indians, save those obeying the dress code, which meant very few in-deed. It is as free of traffic today as it was then, and lined with smart little shops. Signs along the way exhort: "Please do not spit on the road." An evening stroll is a quiet, dignified affair — all very un-Indian, as if this little road permanently ab-

At the opposite end of the Mall is the Simla Club, where the Raj got drunk most nights. It has retained its calculated aloofness, and only those Indians with adequate status can get through the doors. Everywhere, echoes of the old Simla are still heard.

sorbed the culture of the

foreigners who built it.



Battle dress: two members of the Huancayo self-defence militia, formed to combat Peru's Shining Path guerrillas, preparing for a parade in Lima

Maori rights award alarms fishermen

FROM REUTER IN WELLINGTON

COMMERCIAL fishermen have been shocked and angered by a recommendation yesterday that a New Zealand Maori tribe be awarded virtually all fishing rights off the country's South Island.

The Waitangi tribunal, an independent body set up to rule on Maori grievances after 19th-century dispossession by colonial British settlers, ruled that the tribe has exclusive fishing rights round most of the island to about 12 nautical miles offshore. A settlement based on the tribunal's recom-mendations could be worth up

Doug Kidd, the fisheries minister, last night called for calm. The fishing industry, the country's fourth largest with annual sales in excess of £270 million, reacted angrily. "The renort raises serious concerns over the stability of New Zealand's fourth largest industry," the New Zealand Fishing Industry Board said.

Jim Bolger, the prime min-ister, warned Maoris not to expect immediate cash windfails from the recommendation, which will now be negotiated with the government. "What concerns me is that the publicity which this

ed may be giving Maoris up and down New Zealand a totally unrealistic expectation of what the likely outcome of treaty claims might ultimately be," he said.

The tribe due to benefit from the recommendation is the Ngai Tahu. The tribunal said the 1840 treaty of Waitangi drawn up between the British crown and Maoris had not been respected. The ment that has been interpreted as ceding vast tracts to Maori tribes. It was drawn up by Britain to guarantee Maori rights in exchange for Britain gaining sovereignty. Most in-terpretations say that fishing grounds were ceded to the Maoris in the treaty. These were never recognised or honoured as commercial fish-

ing developed. Tipene O'Regan, Tahu trust board chairman. said negotiations would involve compromise and the tribe did not expect to get everything listed in the tribunal's report. "I think a blind man could see that it is not possible to restore to Ngai Tahu 100 per cent of what it has been dispossessed."

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he man on the radio with the thick mid-Ulster accent made his point firmly: "We will still be here." He was speaking of the UDA, the Ulster Defence Association, now banned for failing sufficiently to disguise its links with the killing and extortion that are the stuff of everyday life in parts of Northern Ireland.

But the man on the radio was not a member of the UDA. He was an actor, though the tone, accent and the determination in his gravel voice made him probably more convincing than the real thing. The UDA ban has not altered the law on broadcasting its statements; the voices — if not the words - of Ulster's extremists were silenced by the Home Office in October 1988 when it banned the use of "actuality" involving members of illegal organisations, plus Sinn Fein and the UDA.

This has long been a preposterous situation: a real advance would have been a version of Norman Tebbit's

identify the open supporters of violence. They could then be jailed if they were proved to be advocates of murder. As it is, the broadcast media hire actors to parrot the evil words of the supporters of sectarian violence. Does the Home Office think that this will somehow neutralise the

message: The question plaguing the Prot-

estant community in Northern Ireland today is that if the spokesmen for Sinn Fein and the UDA were both deemed to be paramilitary mouthpieces - effectively equated in the broadcasting ban why is one now declared illegal while the other continues to propagate its message publicly? The official line, being leaked — even more anonymously than through actors - by the mouthpieces of Downing Street and Stormont, is that Sinn Fein is "not actively involved in paramilitary activity". while the UDA is little more than the already outlawed "Ulster Free-

dom Fighters" by another name.
This differential is, of course, utter hogwash. It merely congratulates the IRA for playing its murderous game by Queens-berry Rules. When a member of a paramilitary force wants to "retire" from active service - providz ne is not ziready on a wanted list - he can move across the invisible divide into the comfy offices of Sinn Fein and stand for the local council or Parliament. Similarly, a young Sinn Fein activist may disappear overnight from the political scene to get "blooded" at the front line. The separation is no more real than that between many of Robert Maxwell's businesses: it is largely a matter of clever book-keeping.

The UDA was not that clever. Partly because it did not think it had to be. Despite the Anglo-Irish pact, only now is the dull dread certainty dawning on the Shankhill Road that a British government might well "sell Ulster down the river", given half a legal and moral chance. The hard men of East Belfast, and many of their more moderate supporters, will see the ban on the UDA as not only an absence of even-handedness, but also a tacit acknowledgement by Whitehall that one day it may end

up talking to \$inn Fein. After all "Armalite in one hand and ballot box in the other" was openly acknowledged IRA strategy. For the British government to nod smiling understanding when Sinn Fein declares one hand did not know what the other was doing will seem treacherous hypocrisy in the bars of the Newtownards Road and Sandy Row. The UDA has hinted broadly that it will now reemerge in another form. In fact various formats have long existed in embryo in the form of "loyalist prisoners' aid associations". Ask any black taxi driver at the foot of the Shankhill Road to take you to "the Eagle" and you will be automatically deposited outside the Shankhill Road Heritage

Centre, a Protestant souvenir shop above which, By appearing decorated with to abandon Battle of the Somme commeman even-hand oration postcards and views of the Whitehall Shankhill when it was "the heart of could be the empire", are the offices of the creating a Loyalist Prisoners' new balance Welfare Association. Here, a reporter might find of terror someone who would know "how in Ireland

to put you in touch" with the illegal Ulster Volunteer Force, the UFF's "friendly

For a long time, there was a pernicious belief among the Prot-estant community that it and the British government were essentially on the same side: that both wanted Northern Ireland to re-main part of the United Kingdom. That was something taken in with mother's milk; it was why the annual parade of the veterans of the Somme was a hallowed loyalist occasion: it reinforced the atavistic ties of the Protestant community to Queen and Country with an oldfashioned patriotism that only the most dyed-in-the-wool British Tories would not find embarrassing.

The assumption was that violence blew things apart and as such was primarily a tool of the IRA which wanted to sunder the union. The loyalist vote went to politicians dedicated to preserving Protestant violence began as a reaction but got out of control. It is fuelled today chiefly by vengeful frustration at the security forces' inability to defeat the IRA. Making the UDA illegal will not alter that; it may force it to play by Sinn Fein rules with the formation of a political party with some equally symbolic name (the Red Hand?) which will campaign for election on a real hard line, reject compromise and condone - afterwards the bloody deeds of a revitalised

gang of "freedom fighters". By appearing to abandon an even hand, the government may actually help to create a new symmetry in Northern Ireland: a new balance of terror.

Seizing control of the camps is a feasible if high risk mission for the West, says Michael Armitage

ith the United States, Britain and France agreed on a draft United Nations resolution calling for the use of force, if necessary, to deliver humanitarian aid to Bosnia, it is urgent to consider exactly how outside military forces might be

employed. The idea has been mooted of swamping the whole of the disputed areas with UN forces. How many troops might be needed to do this is anyone's guess. Law-rence Freedman, professor of war studies at King's College London, has suggested a figure of 100,000; it would almost certainly be at least double that, even without counting the logistic support. Quite apart from the questions of where all these troops would come from and who would pay the huge costs involved, is the matter of what they would do once they arrived. There is no front to be formed, no line to be held, no buffer zone to patrol. And since the opposing sides refuse even to discuss a political settlement, and since they consistently renege

Strategy for Bosnia

prospect, how long would the UN force be expected to remain on the ground, and what would happen when it finally pulled out? Air strikes on military targets in

Serbia have been suggested as another option. But which military targets? This is not like the Gulf war, in which massive formations of armour could be bombarded from the air; nor is it a conflict in which disrupted enemy command and control networks might be expected to cripple an army. The troops of the former Yugoslav army have been trained to hinder the advance of any invading army for as long as possible, and then to head for the hills from where they would expect to conduct small-scale but deadly guerrilla assaults. Thus if air strikes are to be made against Serbia, they must be calculated to produce high political rather than whenever a ceasefire seems to be in purely military impact. What if the

Serbs simply ignored the air strikes? The West could hardly try to increase the pressure by launching a full-scale air campaign. because of the ever-present risk of

civilian deaths and casualties. A more cautious, but still risky. move would be greatly to increase the effort being put into the relief convoys, and to bring in the extra military force needed to escort them. Yet if these increased relief efforts were to make a real difference to the balance of power in the beleaguered areas, then the Serbs might well try to halt the convoys altogether. Any effective military hindrance to the convoys would then make it necessary to deploy troops all along the routes, for example along the 160 miles or more between the port of Split and the Bosnian capital Sarajevo. But even that would not be enough. The commanding ground along the routes would also have to be

secured: we would need troops to protect troops.

Could air power not secure the routes? It could certainly play an important part. But the likely targets for aircraft would be small and highly mobile ones. They would all too often be very difficult to hit without observers on the ground to direct the fire. So here again, we are talking about committing forces on the ground. As to the aircraft types that might be employed, armed helicopters proved to be very vulnerable to ground fire in just this kind of situation in Afghanistan. Fixedwing aircraft on the other hand, spend less time exposed to the weapons over which they would have to fly, and they could easily operate out of airfields in Italy.

There are risks here beyond the local military ones. If air and ground forces were engaged along dant of the Royal Col the routes, they would almost Defence Studies, London.

inevitably be involved in hot pursuit in operating beyond the cordon sanitaire itself in order to seize and hold the advantage Then what we see as a humanitar ian mission might well be taken hy

the Serbs as an act of war. Finally, there is the possibility both of taking over the recently discovered prison camps and of forming sanctuary areas for refugees as was done for the Kurds in northern Iraq. With or without the agreement of the Serbs, UN troops could be landed by helicopter or even by parachute to disarm the guards at these camps and take over their administration. It would not be cheap, it would not be easy and there could well be casualties. But at least something positive would have been done, and would have been seen to have been done. without undue military commitment and without crossing that dangerously thin line between relief effort and war effort.

Air Chief Marshal Sir Michael Armitage is a former Commandant of the Royal College of

The retreat from caring

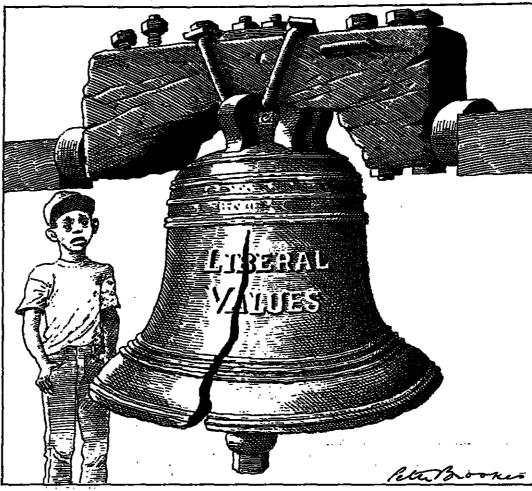
olitically speaking, this is being advertised as the year of "tough love". The attitude recommended to the spouses, relatives and friends of alcoholics, drug-abusers and assorted addicts has become the keynote of the Democrats' presidential campaign. Thus far, the targets are the usual suspects - welfare mothers, able-bodied teenagers who refuse to accept such jobs as they are offered, and other deadbeats. Republicans have always urged toughness and not much love for them; but the Democratic party platform on which Bill Clinton and Al Gore are touring the country takes a line that ten years ago would have been denounced as "blaming the vic-tim". Mr Clinton's manifesto, Putting People First, is committed to the idea that the public cannot help people who will not help themselves; the work ethic is back, and the message to welfare mothers is: "We'll train you, guarantee you health care, and after two

years you get a job or else." Mickey Kaus, an editor of New Republic, has just published The End of Equality, a tract in which he berates old-fashioned Democratic soft-heartedness about the poor, and trumps Mr Clinton by proposing the cold turkey treatment: turf anyone who can work off welfare at once, and set up a public works programme to put them into useful labour. This is some way short of the right's view that we should turf them off welfare and leave the market and private charity to sort them out. Still, both Mickey Kaus and Bill Clinton are tougher than any

Democrat of the past twenty years. Why this exasperated mood is so widespread is a puzzle. In real terms, the programmes the public hates most are rather cheap. especially the Aid to Families with Dependent Children programme that unmarried inner-city mothers rely on. AFDC costs less than one third of a per cent of gross national product, half as much in proportion as it did 25 years ago. The really big spenders in the American welfare state are programmes for the elderly that are overwhelmingly approved of — old age pensions and Medicare, the government health programme available to people over 65. One reason for AFDC's unpopu-

larity is that it is heavily concen-

Even Democrats despair of the poor, argues Alan Ryan



trated on black recipients. This is a care for, how to get students to delicate topic, and one where stay in school long enough to get statistics are hotly contested; but nobody doubts that 90 per cent of the babies born to black teenagers are born out of wedlock, nor that 80 per cent of black children live on welfare for some period before they reach the age of 18. White illegitimacy has also been rising. but from a much lower base, and is not associated with the horrors of the inner city such as drug dealing and violence. Black spokesmen increasingly complain that the white population wishes the black population would just go away. and this seems to be true — but it is not compassion fatigue, just intellectual exhaustion. Nobody knows how to get drug dealers out of the ghetto, how to stop teenage girls having babies they cannot

an equication, and how to stee them into decent jobs. There has not just been "white flight" as middle-class city dwellers have moved out to the suburbs to escape the crumbling cities, there has been middle-class black flight as well. This makes it harder for welfare services to find their clients or to recruit community organisers who provide grassroots support to go with government assistance. The picture is not uniformly bleak, and there are hundreds of gallant programmes and small successes. But there is no steady progress in breaking the cycle of underclass poverty.

When the white voters look at the way immigrant groups move onward and upward (the 1990) census revealed that Asians are better educated and better paid than any other ethnic minori grouping) they despair at the intractability of black poverty. This is neither racist, nor punitive. Nobody denies that the experience of slavery, discrimination, and exclusion from decent employment plays a very large part in the collapse of the black family, and all the other things that go with it. But taxpayers are looking for a return on their money, and everyone is scrambling for a simple answer to the welfare problem.

But sensible solutions need a lot of public money up front, and a lot of careful administration; but the electorate thinks that politicians are chronically corrupt and spendthrift and so will not pay for them. Even if the public could be

persuaded, most solutions would fall foul of well organised interest groups. Many people stay on welfare because they get their medical bills paid: and many small employers are reluctant to expand their businesses because they cannot afford to offer medical insurance to new workers. Everyone knows the answer is a national health service modelled on the German or Canadian systems. Everyone also knows that every proposal will be fought tooth and nail by many doctors, hospitals

and insurance companies. To push welfare mothers off the dole and into work, the government will have to set up or pay for adequate day care: and create a public works programme for those who cannot find other work. This will cost far more than the present system; it will also madden the unions that organise low paid local government workers, who will rightly feel that their wages will be kept down by this new addition to the workforce. Since many city workforces are already a form of covert assistance to black and migrant workers who might otherwise find it hard to get a job, this would be a particularly nasty fight.

he most urgent candidate for tough love is the American electorate itself. Ross Perot wisely published his economic proposals only after he had stopped running for the presidency. He saw that the electorate is still in no mood to hear the truth about the effects of deficit spending, failure to invest in the infrastructure, and failure to attend to the country's human while has the air of a man with a parcel containing something nasty who hopes he need not unwrap it - his call for sacrifice, for greater national savings, and greater public investment has been wrapped up in quotations from John F. Kennedy's famous "ask nor what your country can do for you speech. President Bush is still in what addiction clinics would diagnose as denial. You will know

that tough love has really come to American politics when Mr Bush and Mr Clinton start competing over how high they will raise the gasoline tax - but don't wait around for it to happen. The author is professor of politics at Princeton University.

...and moreover **AATTHEW PARRIS**

n the first week of August, a swarm of bees came to stay with me in Derbyshire. It was too late for them to make much honey. The tedious Eng-

lish proverb says:
A swarm of bees in May
Is worth a load of hay. A swarm of bees in June Is worth a silver spoon. A swarm of bees in July Is not worth a fly.

But I was honoured that the swarm should have chosen my door above which to hang. though to enter my office you had to duck. A dark night, a moment of absentmindedness ... it didn't bear thinking about. Still, I thought, the bees, like new age travellers, would soon

The days passed. The swarm grew. Worker bees returned with full pollen sacs. They were making honeycombs. Plainly there had been a misunderstanding. Overnight hospitality is one thing; permanent house-guests, another. Yet dispersing them now, with autumn approaching, would be heartless. And besides, this was the week of my birthday. To kill or scatter

them could anger the gods.
Superstition? Perhaps. On
Monday night it was reinforced. I was with my friend Marlen in Dorset. Among her guests at dinner was a distinguished Oxford mathematician. I told him about my bees. A look of pain crossed his face. "Would you like a hive?" he asked, a little

Next morning, Marlen and I

countryside near Yeovil. In the middle of his large kitchen was the mill itself — shafts, gears, a wooden shute and the great millstones all in working order. His family can make enough flour for a year in about five minutes. But they must leave Dorset and sell the old millhouse. "House hunters en-quire whether they'd need plan-

ning permission to rip this lot out," he said, a little sadly. And the hive? "I bought the equipment, and a swarm, and was just starting bee-keeping when I ran into my hive with a lawnmower, sustaining 19 stings. My enthusiasm for bees has passed," he said, a little sadly. "Take the hive and my kit,

too. And my bee-keeping book."

As we left, the mathematician's son was practising archery by the millstream. We waved goodbye, his hive in our boot, passing the "For Sale" sign in the road and feeling implicated in the smashing up of a medieval tableau. I shall look after my hive. If you would like to cherish a small mill in rural Dorset, or can offer employment to an archer. please

let me know . . . But I digress. The hiveless bees are in Derbyshire. The beeless hive is with Marlen and me, in Dorset. How to get from A to

We now pass lightly over a complex picture involving Mar-len's Volvo, a number of London railway termini and a top criminal barrister friend with his BMW - and move straight to drove to his home, a mill in the my arrival in Derbyshire by

train just before midnight with a beehive in the guard's van. A beehive looks odd on Derby station, platform 4. By 2am, unknown to the sleeping bees, hive and I were ready. I had read the whole bee book in the train. Picture me, next, at dawn, stumbling through the nettles

and mist in a veil, yellow Marigolds, Wellington boots, white parachute suit and funny hat: smoke-puffer in one hand, and, in the other, a cardboard box containing about 10,000 bees covered in a tea-towel and buzzing. "Build a ramp", says my book, "up to the entrance of the hive. Deposit the swarm at the bottom of the ramp. The bees will crawl up the ramp and enter the hive." Will they!

As I write, the bees are crawl ing up the ramp. Inside their new home a pot of honey awaits. with my compliments. If there were any way of laying out 10,000 clean towels and little bars of soap. I'd have done that too. At the door to my office a brazier is billowing smoke, driving off revisionist bees. I have painted the door with gear-oil, after-shave and Jeyes fluid, of which the after-shave is unquestionably the most loathsome.

My mother, who differs from her son only in being completely crackers, says bees are sacred and one should go down to the hive and tell them anything important. My father says might like to try out some of my newspaper articles on the bees. But I'm trying this one out on you. The bees can hear it later.

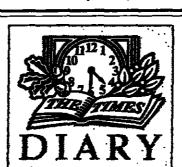
Selling out on Saddam

AS THE prospect of military intervention in the Balkans draws closer, the British are about to be given a sharp reminder of what John Peters and John Nichol, the two RAF flight lieutenants shot down during the Gulf war, are to publish a book detailing their ordeal. Television pictures of their tortured faces are among the war's

most enduring images. The book, Tornado Down, will not pull any punches. It describes how their Tornado bomber was brought down by a Sam missile in the early days of Operation Desert Storm and how, shortly before they were forced to parade on Iraqi television, Peters. 30, a father of two, had a loaded pistol thrust into his mouth. Publication is timely. War is back on the agenda at Downing Street and the book is already being tipped for

the best seller list. They are now fully recovered. back flying and taking a keen interest in the growing tension in the Balkans. Will Pearson, a journalist and television documentary maker, has collaborated on the book. A television documentary will follow its publication next month. Pearson's brother served in the same squadron as Peters and Nichol. Since their return from the Gulf, Peters and Nichol, who used to be based at RAF Laarbruch in Germany, have been posted to separate squadrons

as a result of the cuts. "It's their own words describing their own experiences," a spokeswoman for the publishers Michael Joseph says. "Although they have been apart for most of the time, the lieutenants have had some joint writing sessions. Pearson has coordinated their material." Tor-



nado Down will discuss the full extent of their torture but will also have its lighter moments. Peters tells of being dumblounded to hear a fellow captive, an American, reject an offer of a steaming mug of tea. the first to be proffered by their captors. On being asked why, the American replied: "Tea contains caffeine. It's bad for your

Glorious 19th

EXPENSIVE traditions are falling faster than Bosnian frontiers in recession-hit Britain. The race among hoteliers to get the first grouse of the season on the menu has fallen by the wayside. At Gleneagles, just a sliver will be served for the curious with this morning's breakfast. Neil Woodcock, marketing director, says: We prefer to serve it a week later when, like all game, it has been hung and properly treated. I am looking forward to the Glorious Nineteenth." The Ritz is following suit. The Savoy, however, will have several brace driven down in time for dinner tonight and Harrods is pulling out all the

At least 12 brace are being flown down from Mohamed Al-Fayed's 40,000-acre estate near Invergordon and will arrive at the store shortly before it opens at

9am. The birds will be carried into the meat and poultry department to the strains of the Lament of the Lost Grouse played by four pipers

Border dispute

THE elevation of Nicholas Ridley to the Upper House has caused certain consternation among his more geographically minded and politically correct peers. Ridley, who now styles himself Baron Ridley of Liddesdale, gives his address as Northumberland. England. Liddesdale, of course, is in the Scottish Borders.

Frances. Lady Eliott of Newcastleton, in the Borders. says: "This strikes some inhab-



itants of the Scottish valley as suspiciously like a modern form of reiving, whereby the Scots and English stole each others' cattle." Although part of the Liddel Water is on the actual border between

the two countries, it is not considered part of Liddesdale and anyway marches with Cumbria, not Northumberland. Roger Freeman, the transport

minister, may not be the secretaries' heart-throb but he certainly impressed them in

Docklands with his hands-on approach to transport Freeman startled Docklands bosses by camping out for a week on the glorified building site, hopping on buses chatting to pensioners and dodging handbag blows wher! buses did not turn up. Freeman. who intends to spend his summer holiday on the Trans-Siberian railway - "in order to put British Rail into perspective" - is a regular early morning commuter. "I intend to clock up 100 British Rail breakfasts before I finish this job." he says. "It's not so much a hands-on as a feet-on approach".

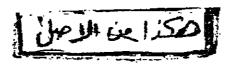
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It's a small world

JANI Allan it is not, but a new libel trial is about to grab the headlines. Professor David Lodge. head of English at Birmingham University and a best-selling author, is the subject of a libel action brought jointly by Mills & Boon and one of its authors. Pauline Harris. The brouhaha began in February when Lodge wrote an article in a Sunday newspaper accusing Harris of plagiarism. He alleged similarities between his novel Nice Work, shortlisted for the Booker Prize, and Harris's The Iron Master, published by Mills & Boon last year.

Lodge has now received writs from both Mills & Boon and Harris, of Hagley, Hereford and Worcester, who says she has not been able to write a word since the article appeared. Her husband, Anthony, says: "My wife is shattered by this. She has been forced to resort to law to clear her name." The matter is made even more embarrassing as the couple are; both English graduates of

Birmingham University. There will be little surprise if the next Lodge novel concerns a top academic being sued by a romantic novelist



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DO AS THE ROMANS DO

In normal times a middle-ranking building society's decision to raise its mortgage rate after some managerial problems left behind by the death of its flamboyant chief executive would be a cause for local regret, but hardly for national comment. But times are hardly normal for Britain's long-suffering homeowners and for the millions of businesses that depend on their prosperity and financial confidence. Thus yesterday's announcement that Skipton Building Society would increase its mortgage rate by half a percentage point was, at the least, a warning for the Treasury. At worst, it could turn into a serious blow to the economy and with it, John Major's hopes of pulling through the recession with his political and financial credibility intact.

The economic auguries at present suggest that Skipton's move will remain just a minor local difficulty. But it is a reminder that a potentially devastating increase in interest rates across the whole economy is a possibility that cannot be ignored.

Norman Lamont, even if he were not on holiday, would presumably enter his usual plea of ERM-induced paralysis in the face of the threat of higher mortgage rates. But these claims of impotence should no longer be accepted, either by public opinion or by the Chancellor's cabinet colleagues. Even within the ERM, there is much the government could do to stimulate the economy. And while the best form of action would be through public investment, as The Times argued on Monday, a marketorientated programme to hold down the cost of money to homeowners, small businessmen and retail borrowers should also be part of the Treasury's anti-recession plans.

ERM membership is only one influence on the level of British interest rates. Its impact on the rates paid by building societies and banks to retail depositors, and charged to homeowners and small businesses, is only indirect. This point has been illustrated in the past month, as the government has twice cut the interest rates paid on National Savings to let the building societies collect more funds without having to raise their mortgage

rates. The curbacks in National Savings came too late for the Skipton's borrowers, but for the bigger and more prosperous building societies, the pressure to raise interest rates was removed, at least for the time

being, by a smoke of the Chancellor's pen. The Treasury must stand ready to take further action if necessary to keep retail savings rates down. National Savings rates should be reduced further, to the point where the government ceases to be a serious compensor in the market for personal savings, and perhaps even becomes a net supplier of funds as money is withdrawn from National Savings accounts. The government would then have to borrow more money from the wholesale money markets, but it should do this by selling Treasury bills to large institutional investors instead of hogging retail deposits. Since Britain's money market rates are determined by the German Bundesbank, rather than by the need to control the British money supply, the government could issue Treasury bills to its heart's content, without putting any further upward pressure on British interest rates.

This policy would not, on its own, win a standing ovation at the Conservative party conference. Yet, as part of a coherent package of anti-recession measures, it would illustrate a vital political point. The government is not powerless in the face of the worst recession for two generations. Even within the ERM, there are alternatives to the present paralysis. However, the policies required to live within the ERM may mean an increase in government interference with the workings of free markets.

This is hardly surprising, since ERM membership is in itself the greatest possible market distortion, inviting further distortions to overcome its damaging effects. That, of course, is one of the best reasons for pulling out of the ERM. But if Mr Major is not prepared to leave the system, he may have to defend Britain's economy with continental-style fine-tuning. If Mr Major insists on monetary subservience to Europe, he will have to do as the Europeans do.

CALIBAN'S ISLAND

While the world's attention has been focused on the horrors of Yugoslavia, negotiations have quietly been going on at the United Nations this summer to resolve another bitter ethnic dispute — Cyprus.

In over two months of talks, Boutros Boutros Ghali, the UN secretary-general, has succeeded in bringing the leaders of the Greek and Turkish Cypriot communities to within sight of agreement on the two key issues that have condemned the divided island to stalemate for 18 years: the amount of territory controlled by each side, and the return of refugees forced out of their homes by the last round of fighting in 1974. The prospect of agreement is tantalisingly close. But what is lacking is political will on the Turkish Cypriot side.

Over the years the Greek Cypriots have been pushed into accepting that Cyprus cannot return to a unitary state, but must become a federation of two separate regions: the Turks in the north and the Greeks in the south. But they insist, and the Turkish Cypriots concede, that the green line, marking the limit of the Turkish army advance, gives the Turks 20 per cent more land than is merited by their population. In years of frustrating negotiations the UN has there-

fore concentrated on a different map. Rauf Denktas, a wily lawyer who is president of the self-styled Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus, unrecognised by all except Turkey, has for years been playing for time. He has no real interest in a settlement that would effectively mean the end of his breakaway republic. But the rest of the world has lost patience with this dispute, which has. consumed a vast amount of UN time, including that of the busy secretary-general, cost millions of pounds in UN peacekeeping forces, and poisoned the relations between two Nato allies. And last weekend, after he and George Vassiliou, the Greek Cypriot president, had spent three weeks in daily

indirect negotiations, the question was put to him: would he, or would he not, accept the map as the basis for the next stage face-toface talks on the wider constitutional issues?

Mr Denktas fudged. He conceded the other main point generously - the return of the refugees. In practice this is more likely to mean the mutual paying of compensation, as there is too little confidence for either displaced Greeks or Turks to return as minorities to their old homes. But he balks at details of the UN map.

However, he is loath to leave New York, sabotaging the negotiations and attracting the strong censure of the permanent five on the security council, who have been receiving daily briefings on the interminable talks and have plenty else to do. He therefore says he has agreed the territorial issue and will continue talking this week.

He is in a weak position. Turkey, his main protector, has bigger fish to fry. Cyprus is an irritant in relations with the West, especially the European Community. It is still an inflammatory issue for Turkish public

The pressure must now be brutal, and Ankara must be mobilised in the effort. President Vassiliou faces elections next year, and already his critics say the Turks cannot be trusted; a breakdown in New York would seem to prove them right. The Greek Cypriot side has moved a long way from its earlier intransigence. A return to entrenched positions would be tragic.

Cyprus has become a classic example of a stubborn problem allowed to fester simply because the island is so small and no one is being killed. President Bush called last year for new initiatives. The world wants this squalid quarrel off its back. Neither Mr Denktas nor Mr Vassiliou should be allowed to leave New York until they have shaken hands, face to face, over an agreement to live together in peace.

ONCE AND FUTURE KING

The Harrow schoolboy who ascended the Hashemite throne after the assassination of his grandfather and abdication of his father has now been King of Jordan for 40 years. Husain bin Talal is, after Kim Il Sung of North Korea, the world's longest-serving ruler. Others have been king for longer; no one, not even a dictator, has matched his experience of directing his nation's affairs. Jordan today is celebrating a reign that has survived mimerous assassination attempts, the machinations of hostile neighbours, two wars and a civil war, a catastrophic economic blockade, dynastic turmoil and countless schemes to merge, abolish or unify his kingdom with other more transient Arab regimes. Unlike others who have held power so long, his rule has been, almost without qualification, a force for stability and peace in a dangerous area. Without him Jordan would long since have ceased to exist.

The boy king, the handsome, courteous Sandhurst graduate who captured the hearts of British television audiences and impressed the world with his simple, earnest patriotism and Arab dignity, is now 57 and looks older than his years. If there is a touch of weariness about him, it is understandable. He has lived a fast and precarious life. He has been married four times, and suffered divorce and bereavement. He has seen his relatives. advisers and friends gunned down, been betrayed by those he trusted, lost half his kingdom in battle and been rebuffed time and time again in his fruitless search for a Middle East settlement.

To the burden of public office he has added the toll of an exhausting private life.

fast cars, a pilot's love of daring, a racy enjoyment of huxury. Never has he been able to relax, never to trust the word or loyalty of those around him except in rare moments among the Beduin. This perpetual vigilance has prevented him slipping into the sybaritic existence of the former Shah; it has given him an acute sense of how the political winds are blowing. To survive, he has had to learn the cumning of a desert fox. He has at different times had to jettison cherished ideas, alliances, advisers. No autobiography was more aptly named than his: Uneasy Lies the Head.

This pragmatism has its critics. Many would say he is loyal only to one principle: the survival of the Hashemite dynasty. Despite a commitment to his country's prosperity, he has enriched himself mightily and enjoys a lifestyle far removed from that of his subjects. His experiments with democracy have been halting, his tolerance of dissent extremely low. His willingness to bend his principles almost reached a point of humiliation during the Gulf war: though historical hindsight may show he had little choice.

Any monarch, or indeed elected president, less wily would not have survived. What makes King Husain an admirable figure is his courage, his magnanimity and his enduring commitment to a liberal pro-Western way of life. At times it has been only his personal valour that stood out against a mutiny. Through all the turbulence of Arab nationalism, the King has maintained Jordan as a friend - often the only friend of the West. Both the West and his countrymen should salute him.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Throwing fresh light on the role of special hospitals Ashworth) over the past decade, I find it incredible that The Times

From Dr Chris Green

Sir. The Astroorth enquiry (report and leading article, August 6) was prompted by the Channel 4 documentary, Cutting Edge. It is constructive to note that the previous major independent public enquiry into abusive practices at a special hospital, the Boynton report on Rampton Hospital, was also occasioned by a TV documentary, ITV's The Secret Hospital, broadcast in May 1979.

The unhealthy influence which certain elements of the Prison Officers' Association exert over special hospital culture has been ongoing for decades; it is well known, and a frequent topic of conversation, amongst those who work in special hospitals. Until recently, when the Special Hospitals Service Authority was formed, special hospitals reported directly to the Department of

It is regrettably clear that successive governments have avoided dealing with the type of problems raised by the Ashworth report, unless forced to do so by media pressure. If managers within special hospitals are to succeed in eliminating abusive practices, it is essential that they have proper direction and support from their authorities. I am tempted to conclude that over the years the authorities have opted for the "quiet life", rather than supply this.

Yours faithfully, CHRIS GREEN (Consultant forensic psychiatrist), Stockton Hall Psychiatric Hospital, The Village, Stockton-on-the-Forest, York.

From the Chief Executive of the Special Hospitals Service Authority Sir, Your editorial referring to the publication of the report by Sir Louis Blom-Cooper on Ashworth Hospital owed more to indignation than to a full appreciation of the facts.

The special hospitals have indeed been isolated from the mainstream of the NHS, which is precisely the

Public service quality

Sir, Now that the government's

consultation document for the next

tranche of compulsory competitive

tendering in local government has

been issued, the sham of John

Major's commitment to quality in

allowed, in their dealings with ex-

ternal suppliers, to specify possession of British Standard 5750 — a

measure of quality of supply. BS5750 is to be regarded as "anti-

Over the last few years BS5750

and its European counterpart have

played a major role in dragging supplier quality up to acceptable levels. Increasingly, purchasers have tended not to trade with suppliers

who do not possess or cannot

demonstrate standards which would

In preventing local authorities

from requiring assured quality sys-

tems and standards in their con-

tracts, this government is condemn-

ing consumers of local authority

services to accept contracts in which price rather than quality is the

determining factor.

(Liberal Democrat),

London Borough of Sutton.

Library services

Library Association

From the Chief Executive of the

Sir, Mr T. W. Scragg (letter, August

5) is correct in understanding the

concept of the British Library as a

library of last resort. This is so for some of its collections and for many

of its readers; but for librarians and

information scientists the British

Library's Information Science Ser-

vice (Bliss) houses the special col-

lection on librarianship and infor-

mation science that for the profes-

sion makes it the library of first

the collection that was established by

the Library Association as its own library but which was passed to the

BL in the 1970s. It is for these

reasons, amongst others, that the

Library Association's members have

access to the BL as a membership

In addition, Bliss has been built on

Yours sincerely,

ROB IRVING

Civic Offices.

August 5.

benefit.

first class.

Yours faithfully,

Chief Executive,

ROSS SHIMMON,

Costs in Italy

The Library Association, 7 Ridgmount Street, WC1.

From Mr Adrian Langinger

Yours faithfully, ADRIAN LANGINGER,

Sir, Perhaps Mr Booker (letter.

August 10) should have taken his

family by train when travelling in Italy. I recently travelled second class

from Pisa to Ventimiglia on the

French frontier, a five-hour journey

for £10. For my return journey, I felt I could afford the extra and travel

90 Kensington Park Road, W11.

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meet the requirements of BS 5750.

Local authorities are not to be

public service has been exposed.

From Councillor R. J. Irving

reason why this authority was brought into being in 1989 to intro-duce and practise health service values within its three hospitals (Broadmoor, Rampton and Ash-

Sir Louis, in his letter accompanying the report acknowledges this, saying "we have endeavoured to . . . assist in the process of achieving the cultural change at Ashworth which we know you and your colleagues in the authority are striving mightily to

Within the body of his report he identifies many examples of good practice and devoted work by staff within the hospital while rightly highlighting unacceptable behaviour by a "significant minority" over a period dating back to 1985. We have already made clear that such behaviour in management in the such that such behaviour in management is a such behaviour in management. behaviour is unacceptable and will be punished.

This authority is strongly committed to providing care and therapy for seriously ill psychiatric patients who need that care within a secure setting. Its hospitals work increasingly closely with NHS and other agencies to provide a full service for individuals who need intensive sup-

port over a long period of time. We welcome the proposal of a review to look at the future pattern of service which we will contribute to with enthusiasm. In the meantime, we are committed to providing hospital care of a high standard. Yours faithfully,

C. KAYE, Chief Executive, Special Hospitals Service Authority. Charles House.

375 Kensington High Street, W14.

From the Earl of Longford Sir; The suggestion in your leading article that the prison service "should certainly be allowed to bid for Ashworth, but so should any other interested body, commercial or

otherwise (my italics)" is prepos-terous. Indeed, as one who has paid

many visits to Park Lane (now

10 me by anyone.

Apart from its moral obscenity. vhat kind of staff could be recruited

Yours faithfully, FRANK LONGFORD, House of Lords.

many other countries.

D. J. MEADOWS, HM Prison. Preston, Lancashire.

iust after 6pm.

From Mr G. J. Wiseman

perspective.

under threat.

into every corner of France. Many areas have been devoid of service for many years. In Britain, Blackbool is about to lose its InterCity service, but will at least retain a frequent regional service: over in Normandy, Bagnoles de l'Orne has just lost all its trains, had its railway and imposing station

tween the major centres of Le Mans

When to fight From Mr Edward Hay

Sir, Lord Owen ("When it is right to fight", August 4) might like to put himself in the position of an infantry colonel, commanding a battalion which has been ordered to Yugo-

His men will ask: who are the enemy? Are they permitted to shoot anyone carrying a weapon — includ-ing women? How do they communicate with the local population? Faced with tanks, can they expect armoured support?

The families of his soldiers may ask the commanding officer what vital British interests are at stake to justify the loss of their sons' lives. I can appreciate that Lord Owen's

conscience has been stricken. What he must explain is why military intervention is justified in Yugoslavia but not in Rwanda or Somalia.

Yours sincerely, EDWARD HAY. August 4.

Resolving disputes From Mr David Miles

Sir, The statement in your leader, "Judges galore" (July 25), that "ADR (alternative dispute resolution) is wallet-friendly to the public, but therefore not to the legal fraternity". reflects a common view. It is not

constraints under which most of his dients are operating, and few dients will thank lawyers for winning their cases if the legal costs outweigh the

In addition, few lawyers are pre-

Yours faithfully, DAVID MILES, Glovers (solicitors), 115 Park Street, W1.

cause disruption that only a well trained and disciplined staff can overcome. It is long overdue that the POA and the government should get

trains from Bath to Salisbury be-

tween 0613 and 2150. However, if

you miss the first train of the day

from Le Mans at 1038, you must

wait 112 hours for the 1213 or

perhaps have lunch and aim for the next one at 1452. If your lunch

appointment overruns, you must wait for the last service of the day at

As for SNCF being the largest

network in Western Europe, it is only

the largest because France is the

largest country. In fact British Rail

has 16,580 km of track, in a Britain

of 229,870 sq km. France is a country of 543,055 sq km, where

SNCF has 34,322 km of railway:

None of the above detracts from

my liking for train travel in France,

returning time and again, and I will

again be seeking out new scenic routes to sample later this month,

although I have an unfair advantage in having access to a copy of the weighty SNCF timetable tomes.

twice as much railway but in

country over twice the size.

Yours sincerely,

Eaton Boat, Eccleston, Chester.

necessarily a true view, however. In today's stringent times, any lawyer involved in civil litigation is acutely aware of the tight financial sums in issue.

pared to give clients a 100 per cent guarantee of the likely outcome of litigation, and the ADR process returns control of the outcome back to the party. Lawyers backing ADR hope that the result is a more satisfied client, both as regards the price and the solution.

highly vulnerable and difficult pa-tients should be handed over to a profit-making company. In April, I produced a book on

mentally disordered offenders (and, as you say, not all the inmates of Ashworth are offenders) and no such outrageous plan was ever suggested

should seriously suggest that these

for such an enterprise and what kind of qualifications could they possess for the task? Your leader writer might pay a visit, as I have done, to The Wolds,

the only prison privatised at present. He might enquire how many of the staff possess any relevant experience. And a special hospital presents even more arduous problems than any

August 7.

From Mr D. J. Meadows

Sir, I was privileged to work at Strangeways Prison, Manchester, for seven years prior to the riot of April 1990 and to work with colleagues whose commitment and professionalism was the envy of

To suggest that privatisation of the prison service will lead to improvements is naive and dangerous. No matter what improvements are made, there will always be a vociferous minority of prisoners who will together for constructive discussion. instead of constantly sniping at each other.

Trains in France

Sir, Mr Robin Neillands's view of France's railways ("What a great way to run a railway". Life & Times, August 3) needs to be put into some

I have 30 years' experience of SNCF operations, and as a rail timetable expert know only too well the frustrations of travel on SNCFs often infrequent services, such as between the regional capitals of Caen and Rennes, connected by just two direct trains per day - and these are

It is not true that SNCF "probes and the popular resort of Dinard has

In many ways British Rail offers a superior service to SNCF. Compare the line between the small cities of Bath and Salisbury with that beand Tours. Midweek, there are 20

Housing deadlines

From Mr Nigel Spoor

GORDON WISEMAN.

13 Harrow Lodge, Eaton Road.

Yours faithfully,

Sutton, Surrey.

August 5.

Sir. The Chancellor of the Exchequer might spare a holiday thought for property solicitors (and indeed others involved in the conveyancing pro-cess) who are working all hours of the day and night to try to assist clients in completing their house purchases by August 19. In many cases, this can result in a saving of up to £2,500 in stamp duty and clients are understandably extremely eager to secure such a saving.

In 1988, Mr Lawson fixed an August date for the ending of double tax relief, thus imposing similar pressures on the legal profession and incidentally contributing signifi-cantly to the slump in the property market thereafter.

If deadlines have to be imposed, why must they occur in August? Yours faithfully, NIGEL SPOOR, Fairchild Dobbs & Co (solicitors),

I Buistrode Way, Gerrards Cross, Buckinghamshire.

From Mr Charles Flaxman Sir, Mr Bleiman (letter, July 29) says

that many litigants "insist on their day in court". This is in my experience very true, but usually only because they are understandably ignorant of court procedures, which seem to grow more complex every day. In particular, most litigants believe that if they succeed in court, they will be fully recompensed for their loss, including the cost of bringing proceedings. This is hardly ever true, and litigation is, for most people, a

When it is explained that even a successful litigation will entail some financial loss and in many cases that the litigant, far from getting his day in court will not even be called as a witness, my company has found that mediation then becomes much more readily acceptable.

disappointing and expensive experi-

Yours faithfully. CHARLES FLAXMAN (Chairman). The Lawyers Network for Alternative Dispute Resolution. Equity and Law Building. 36-38 Baldwin Street, Bristol. Avon.

Policy as priority for Tory 'board'

From Mr Toby Horton

Sir, Philip Webster's report (August 5) of changes at Conservative Central Office refers to a "company-style board of directors under the chairmanship of Sir Norman Fow-ler. It appears, however, that the new board will not be concerned with

The party's success in the last four general elections lay in a strong radical agenda that proved particularly attractive to former Labour supporters and to the young. Only if that radical instinct begins to flag will there be electoral danger.

The success of any new board, therefore, cannot be detached from policy, for the volume of unfinished business remains formidable. In monetary policy, price stability deriv-ing from confidence in an independent Bank of England remains to be achieved. In broadcasting policy, a public funding source for quality output, to which the BBC, independent contractors and independent producers alike will have equal access, with the end of the BBC's compulsory levy through the licence fee, must be another objective.

In his reform of pensions and of the bus industry, Sir Norman pushed through some of the most creative strategies of the 1980s. It would be unrealistic to assume that, rooted as it is in a similar spirit of reform, his new board of Conservative Central Office can be removed from policy formation.

Yours faithfully. TOBY HORTON (Conservative parliamentary candidate, Rother Valley, 1992). 12 Vicarage Gardens, W8. August 7.

Hampshire travellers

From Mrs Joan Bird

Sir, We had a grandstand view of police action against the travellers in Hampshire (report, August 10). It took place during two nights and a day outside our house in Romsey. At one point they massed in formation. Police from both Surrey and Hampshire, in full riot gear, facing a motley collection of patched up vehicles of every conceivable variety, including a converted hearse, an ancient fire engine towing a battered caravan, a horse-drawn gypsy caravan; the horse looking vastly more groomed

and prosperous than the owners. The attitude on the whole of the travellers, who were uniformly scruffy, was a surprisingly wry acceptance of this overwhelming show of police power. We saw no violence of

any kind. If these kids are socially outside the pale and living off benefits at a time when unemployment is sky-high how much more alienated they must feel after such a ludicrous show of strength against them.

Yours sincerely, JOAN BIRD. Chirk Lodge, Winchester Hill, Romsey, Hampshire. August 10.

Sunday racing

From the Director General of the Betting Office Licensees Association

Sir, According to Mr Blackmore (letter, August 6) the race meeting held at Doncaster on July 26 demonstrated that it is possible to stage Sunday racing without the services provided by licensed betting offices. Nothing could be further from the truth. Even the Jockey Club, which organised the Doncaster meeting as a political gesture, recognises the impossibility of regular Sunday rac-

ing without full on and off-course

betting facilities. There are several reasons why this is the case. One is that without legal off-course betting facilities illegal betting would flourish. Another is that horseracing in this country depends on its betting levy, which is generated by the off-course market. So, too, is betting duty and it is fairly obvious that the government would not wish to see Sunday become a major racing day without the Ex-

chequer getting its share.
If people who wish to go racing on a Sunday, the main leisure day of the week, should be allowed to do so, then by the same principle those whose leisure choice it is to bet on racing without going to the track should be afforded equal treatment, particularly as off-course followers of horseracing greatly outnumber their on-course counterparts.

Yours faithfully, TOM KELLY, Director General

Betting Office Licensees Association, Francis House, Francis Street, SW1. August 6.

The last straw From Katy and Alice Bradbury

Sir. Is there a proper (and boring) name for the cylindrical hay bales which can be seen around the

country at this time of year? Our suggestion is "Dougals" as they bear a remarkable resemblance to the character in The Magic Roundabout.

Yours faithfully, KATY BRADBURY (aged 15). ALICE BRADBURY (aged 11). 35 West End Avenue. Pinner, Middlesex.

July 31.

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SOCIAL NEWS

Birthdays today

Miss Elizabeth Appleby, QC. 50: Dame Frances Clode, lormer chairman, WRVS, 89; Lord Colnbrook, 70: Vice-Admiral Sir Kenneth Eaton, 58: Air Marshal Sir Maurice Heath. 83: General Sir Patrick Howard-Dobson, 71; Sir Anthony Jolliffe, former Lord Mayor of London, 54; Dr Tommy Kemp, physician and rugby player, 77; Mr Mark Knopfler. singer, songwriter and guitarist. 43: Mr Norris McWhirter, founder editor. Guinness Book of Records, 67; Mr Floris Maljers. chairman, Unilever NV, 59: Sir Robin Nicholson, metalurgist, 58: Baroness Phillips, 82; Lord Renton, QC, 84: Mr Peter West, sports commentator, 72; Professor Graham Zellick, principal, Queen Mary and Westfield

Latest wills

Stephen Alastair Morton, of London SW6. Recorder of Devizes, left estate valued at

Edmund Purcell Skone James. QC. of Shortlands, Bromley, kent. copyright specialist, left estate valued at £656,918 net. Diana Marion Bonner Wood. of London NW8, chartered surveyor. left estate valued at £1,379,114 ner. She left £60,000 to the Distressed Gentlefolk's Aid Association and certain furniture and other effects to the National

Edward George Groves, of Chigwell, Essex, licensed bookmaker, left estate valued at £1.164,244 net. Ellen Bennett, of Farnhill, North Yorkshire, left estate valued at £1.910.393 net. eslie Bernard Canterbury, of

Fareham. Hampshire, left estate valued at £1,584,057 net. Dr Michael Lea Thomas, of London SW10, left estate valued

Anniversaries

BIRTHS: Thomas Bewick, engraver, Newcastle, 1753; George IV, reigned 1820-30, London, 1762; Robert Southey, Poet Laureate 1813-43, Bristol, 1774; Sir Joseph Barnby, composer. York, 1838; Cecil B. De Mille, film producer, Ashfield, Massachusens, 1881; Erwin Schrodinger, physicist, Nobel laureate 1933, Vienna, 1887.

DEATHS: Nahum Tate, Poet Laureate 1692-1715. London 1715; Robert Stewart, Viscount Castlereagh, statesman, commit-ted suicide, North Gray Place, Kent. 1822; William Blake, poet and artist, London, 1827; George Stephenson, builder of "The Rocket", Tapton, Derbyshire, 1848: Sir William Jackson Hooker, director of the Royal Botanic Gardens 1841-65. London, 1865; James Lowell, poet and diplomat, Cambridge, Massachusetts, 1891; Arthur Griffith, Irish statesman, Dublin, 1922; Arthur Janacek, composer, Ostrava, Czechoslovakia, 1928, Thomas Mann, novelist, Nobel laureate 1929, Zurich, 1955; Ian Fleming, creator of James Bond, Canterbury, 1964; Sir Ernst-Chain, biochemist, Nobel laureate 1945, 1979; Henry Fonda actor, 1982.

Royal president The Prince of Wales is to be

centenary president of the Chartered Society of Physiotherapy during its centenary year in 1994.

Lord Braine of Wheatley

The life barony conferred upon Sir Bernard Braine has been gazetted by the name, style and title of Baron Braine of Wheatley, of Rayleigh in the County of Essex.

Ferries threaten shortest flight

BY KERRY GILL

APART from archaeological remains and birds, the Orkney island of Papa Westray is famous for the shortest scheduled flight in the world, just two minutes between taking off from Westray and landing on a cowpat-strewn field on

Papa Westray a mile away. The daily flights, operated by Loganair since 1967 with a 20 minute check-in time. have been recorded in The Guinness Book of Records ever since and a Captain Andrew Alsop, helped by a strong tail wind, once cut the time to 58 seconds.

The airline is, however, struggling to maintain its inter-island flights in the face of competition from new ferry services run by the local council. The 80 or so residents on Papa Westray fear the fill return flights could be the first to go, along with their entry in the record books.

The little twin-engined Islander aintraft are a familiar sight throughout the archipelago, hopping from island to island, usually spattered in cow dung since, apart from Kirkwall, the runways are grass strips on fields. Jim Rendall, the Papa Westray postmaster, said: "This would be a disaster for the island. It is a great source of pride to everybody."

Loganair, aware of the flight's attraction for tourists. prints T-shirts with the motto "I have flown the world's shortest flight", and Mr Rendall said that one man travelled from Tasmania simply for the two-minute trip. If the service is cut then the record for the shortest scheduled flight will fall to United Airlines and its Boeing 727

service between San Francisco and Oakland which takes a comparatively lengthy five minutes. The two landing strips on Westray and Papa Westray are one mile apart, a shorter distance than Heathrow's longest runway. Orkney

council, however, plans to introduce a fleet of roll-on, roll-off ferries to serve the islands later this year and Loganair says that its revenue will be hit. "Papay", as the island is known locally, has had to

battle against a falling population for many years. Although fertile, the island relies to a large extent on tourism. Probably the oldest standing houses in Europe, two of which are more than 5.000 years old, can be found on the island's west coast. Recently residents toyed with the idea of a causeway from Westray similar to those built as barriers around the Scapa Flow naval base during the second world war.

It has not been Papa Westray's week. The other day islanders asked the council for equipment to form their own fire brigade. Thirty six former second world war stirrup pumps were delivered.



Winning blooms: Anthea Michaelson, a student gardener at Wisley, among the gladiolus competition entries yesterday

Autumn hues add colour to late summer show

BY ALAN TOOGOOD. HORTICULTURE CORRESPONDENT

A WIDE range of garden plants with late-summer interest, with just a hint of early autumn, is packed into many small exhibits at the Royal Horticultural Society's summer flower show, which opened at Westminster vesterday.

A selection of late summer rockgarden plants is being featured by W. E. Th. Ingwersen, of Gravetye, West Sussex, which can now boast 233 consecutive exhibits at RHS shows. The selection includes the fuchsialike Zauschneria californica "Dublin" with brilliant vermilion tubular flowers, and blue and white campanulas.

A new, easily grown gentian from the Caucasus and northern Turkey, Gentiana paradoxa, with brilliant pure blue flowers, is being shown for the first time by Edrom Nurseries, of Coldingham, Berwickshire, in their collection of summer-flowering aipines. With masses of tiny blue starshaped flowers is the old but still quite rare Cyananthus sherriffii. which appreciates the impeccable

drainage of a dry-stone wall. There is a good selection of plants from warmer climates, including the most comprehensive collection of peperomias (greenhouse or houseplants grown for their attractive foliage) ever assembled outside a botanic garden. The collection was put together by the Saintpaulia and Houseplant Society, with a number

of plants loaned by the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew, and the RHS garden The exhibit reflects the diversity of habit in this genus. There is the dimbing Peperomia polybotra with shiny heart-shaped leaves, which looks like a philodendron; P. fraseri, the only species grown purely for its flowers (conical heads of cream

blooms on red stems); P. "Mouse Ear" with soft velvety leaves; and the trailing P. rotundifolia pilosior with tiny round fleshy marbled leaves. Others are quite colourful, such as multicoloured P. clusiifolia "Variegata" with cream, bright pink and cream leaves, and P. glabella

"Variegata", with heavily variegated cream and green. Marston Exotics. of Madley, Hereford and Worcester. are showing carnivorous plants, from Dionaea muscipula (Venus fly trap) with its jaw-like traps, to the bold sarracenias (trumpet pitchers) with erect, hooded traps.

Tropical gesneriads are being shown by Dibley's Efenechdyd Nurseries, of Ruthin, Clwyd, including some unusual trailing kinds for hanging baskets, which deserve to be more widely grown as houseplants: X Codonatanthus "Tambourine" with tubular pink and cream flowers, and Nematanthus, also with tubular flowers but in fiery colours.

Several competitions are taking place, including that of the Saintpaulia and Houseplant Society. Here, the best houseplant is Begonia "Looking Glass" (metallic-silver leaves with red undersides), which has gained the Margot Isaacs trophy for David Rhodes and John Rockliffe, of Nazeing, Essex. The best saintpaulia (African violet) is S.

"Midnight Wave" (wavy leaves and frilled violet flowers) shown by Margaret Reynolds, of Ickleford, Hertfordshire, and awarded the silver jubilee trophy.

In the RHS ornamental plants competition, Mrs C M Bowerman, of Coldwaltham, West Sussex, is a leading prizewinner in the heather section, where her exhibit of Erica cinerea cultivars (light pink "Margaret Bowerman", red "Alfred Bowerman" and deep pink "Champs Hill") has gained a first prize.

In the RHS gladiolus competition, Mr S Price, of Romford, Essex, has won the Foremarke challenge cup for 12 cultivars, and a Simmonds medal for the best spike of small-flowered gladiolus. A Simmonds medal for the best spike of large-flowered gladiolus has been won by MrS Moorhouse, of Wanstead, east London, with a cultivar of his own raising.

The RHS show. New Horticultural Hall, Greycoat Street, Westminster, is open from 10am to 5pm today.

Forthcoming marriages

Mr J.C.D. Collins and Miss M.C.T. Lambert

The engagement is announced between John, eldest son of the late Mr John Collins and of Mrs Collins, or Sydney, Australia, and Miranda, younger daughter of Major and Mrs Miles Lambert, of Wisseil Suffolk

Mr W.E. Green and Miss J.P. Park

The engagement is announced between Bill son of Mr and Mrs Peter Green, of Coggeshall, Essex, and Jennifer, daughter of Mr and Mrs Arthur Park, of Wokingham, Berkshire.

Dr D.S. Johnson and Miss M.L. Kujawa

The engagement is announced between David, son of Mr and Mrs Sands Johnson, of Formby, Merseyside, and Magda, daugher of Mr Lotar Kujawa and the late Mrs Jennifer Kujawa, of Marple, Cheshire.

Mr C.L. Lovibond and Miss C.R. Fielding The engagement is announced between Charles, elder son of Mr Stephen Lovibond, of Greenwich, London, and Mrs Jeffrey Galvin Wright, of Oxshott, Surrey, and Caroline, daughter of Mrs Valerie Fielding and the late Mr Bruce Fielding, of Warborough, Oxon.

Mr P.J. Turner and Miss L.A. Townend The engagement is announced between John, second son of Mr and Mrs Peter Turner, of Wilmslow, Cheshire, and Lisa, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Derek Townend, of Sunningdale,

Ancient cemetery found

A CEMETERY more than 3,000 years old has been revealed by a seasonal drop in the water level at a reservoir near West Linton in the Scottish Borders.

An excavation funded by the government agency His-toric Scotland and Borders Regional Council has identified at least seven rectangular graves positioned close together.

The graves, originally stone-lined pits covered by

large capstones, contained a number of objects including a fine necklace of beads, a small metal-awi, food vessel pots and a fragment of a beaker. Bits of human teeth have survived in some graves, but otherwise the skeletons have rotted away.

The National Museums of Scotland said that the finding was very exciting since wellpreserved Bronze Age cemeteries were not common in Scottand.

lecturer and expert on comets Theatre opens and meteors at Liverpool's

The Theatre Royal, Norwich, will reopen in November, a month ahead of schedule after a £3.56 million refurbishment programme. There will be a programme of ballet. drama and live music before the pantomime season begins on December 17.

University's grants up 20% to £1.1 m

Research grants at Essex University increased by 20 per cent to £1.1 million in the second three months of the year compared to the same period last year. Forty grants were received, six of which, including the two largest, came from the EC and total-

Shooting stars put on a heavenly light show Mark Bailey, a mathematics

BY NICK NUTTALL TECHNOLOGY CORRESPONDENT

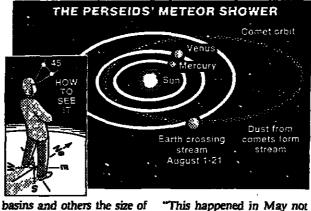
THE skies will be filled with believed to have been forged shooting stars and fireballs of from comet Swift-Tuttle cosmic dust set alight by the which may be the same as Earth's atmosphere over the next few days as one of nature's most spectacular

light shows reaches its peak. This year's arrival of the Perseids meteors could be one of the most dramatic this century. Some astronomers believe that the comet that has spawned these annual collisions might have a 130 year orbit and could be making its return carrying bigger and more densely concentrated meteors in its wake. Last year when the Perseids put on one of their most spectacular displays.

The Perseids, which orbit the sun in a stream and are

comet Kegler, cross the Earth's orbit between August 1-21. They reach their peak today, with excellent activity also possible tomorrow and Friday as the Earth passes through the densest parts of the stream. As many as 50 meteors an hour smashing into the atmosphere at 60km per hour can leave luminous trails across the sky.

The earliest recorded sighting linked to the Perseids dates to May 22 in 12BC during the Han Dynasty. Records discovered by Tian Shan, a Chinese astronomer, from the reign of Yuan-Yan, talk of meteors as large as



hens' eggs, indicating that August but these showers do some heavy objects are in the process so the date will slowly stream.

Bill Napier, an honorary

drift". He said that a violent meteor shower reportedly research fellow at the Royal prompted Pope Urban II to Observatory, Edinburgh, an convene a council in 1095 to authority on comets, said: authorise the first Crusade. John Moores University, said: "You will see meteors almost which ever way you look but the highest concentration should be in the north-east". The best time to view is at 11pm. To get the best view Dr Bailey advises going into the countryside where there is

less interference from reflecting city light. "If you live in a city go to a park or go to a part of your back garden that is shielded from street lights so your eyes become as accustomed as possible to the dark."

One snag to a spectacular show could be the moonlight which, when strong, can mask the meteors' display.

led £336,860.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

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But each of us has been given a speical gift. a particular share in the bounty of Christ. Ephesians 4:7 REB BIRTHS BAKER WHITE - On August 9th 1992, to Suzie (nee Johnson) and Mark, a daughter, Lucy Katherine Mary. COLE - On August 8th, at home, to Gina and Barry, a home, to Gina and Barry, a son, Joshua David Robert, a brother for Tim and son, Joshua David Robert, a brother for Tim and Rebecca. DRIMMOND MORAY - On August Sth. to lona and David. a son. FIGG - On August 7th, to Charlotte (née Villiers) and Christopher, a son. Orlando. FORDHAM - On August Isl. to Jane (née Johnson) and Richard. a daughter, Theodora Rose. a haif-sister for Colum. Medeni and Kit. FOX - On August 10th to

for Colum. Medent and Kit.

FOX - On August 10th. to
Lucinda and William. a son.

MALE - On August 6th. to
Sophie and Matthew. a
daughter, Phoebe Charlotte
Clementine. a sibler for Tom.

KIRKEY ANDERSON - On
August 8th. Wirral. to Mary
and Jeff. a son. Rory.

LINDOP - On Sunday August
9th. to Rosemary and
Jeremy. a second son.

Christopher Anthony.

PARKER - On August 8th, to PARKER - On August 8th, to Julia, wife of Michael, a son. Thomas Edward. ROBERTS - On July 30th, I Sandra and Mark. daughter. Paige Rhiannon.

daughter. Paige Rhiannon.
TOWNEND - On August 7th,
to Rosa and Jonathan, a
daughter. Kimberty Jade.
WORSLEY - On August 5th,
to Laura (nee Pilfleid) and
Jonathan, a son. Hugo
Justin, a brother for Nicholas
and Oliver. MARRIAGES

PEARSON:SPRIGGS - On PEARSON: SPRIGES On May 2nd 1992. Richard. son of Mr & Mrs D Pearson. Buckhurst Hill. Essex and Claire. daughter of Mr & Mrs J Spriggs. Barkingside. Biford. Chose an exolic wedding witch was held at the Beachcomber. Colony Beach. Longboat Key. Florida.

BATES - On August 11th,
Derek Neil. MB BS LRCP
MRCS. of Clitton.
Nottingham. peacefully at
home after a short illness.
Beloved and loving husband
of Jenny and dear father of
Nigel and the late Susan.
Fureral Service on Monday
August 17th 1 pm at St
Mary's Church. Clifton
Village. followed by privale
cremation. Family flowers
only please. Donations in lieu
if desired to Cystic Fibrosis
Trust c/o A.W. Lymn.
Funeral Directors. Robin
Hood Street. Nottingham.,
(0602) 505875.

CAMERON - On Sunday
August 9th 1992, in hospital
at Cambridge, Katherine
Joan unde Turneri aged 82
years, beloved wife of the
late James Edmund. Funeral
Service al Cambridge
Crematorium on Friday
August 14th at 11 am. No
flowers.

COLES - On August 7th, Christobel Margaret (Deggy), aged 95, late of Chandlers Ford, Hants, retired music mistress \$t Georges School, Edinburgh 1940-1945. Veteran W.R.A.C. Lovingly remembered by three nieces in Canada and her many friends, Funeral Service at Southampton Crematorium (West Chapeti on Monday August 17th at 12.15 pm. No flowers please. Donations, if flowers please. Donations. If desired, to Westex Cancer Trust c/o Jno. Steel & Son. Chesil House, Winchester.

GRAIN - On August 9th 1992, peacefully with her family at her daughter's home, Alice Emma 'Ch' aged 90. Widow of Thomas 'Tominy' Crain. Beloved mother of Marion. Alan and Hazel. Cilia and John. grandma of Lucy. Catherine. Tom. Bruce. Pele and Sue and greal-grandma of Henrietta and Gabriella. Puperal Service on Friday August 14th at Si Mark's Church Peaslake at 12.30 pm. Cat flowers or donations for her memorial fund may be sent to Sheriock & Sons. Trelits House. Dorking

DEATHS

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HASTINGS - On August 9th, peacefully. Guy Holland, beloved husband of Elizabeth Jane and falher of Charles and Robert. Private (uperal. All enquiries to J.H. Kenyon. 49 Marioes Road, WS. tel: (071) 937-0757.

49 Marioes Road, WB. tel:
(0711) 937-0757.

[RELAND - On August 9th.
following a tragic incident.
Jamile. aged 20. tearly
beloved son of lunes and Edi
and much loved brother of
Christianne. He will be much
missed by bis family and
many friends. Cremation at
Putney Vale. 1.30 pm Friday
August 14th. Enquiries for
Memorial Service and donations. If desired, to the World
Wildlife Fund. c/o J.H.
Kenyon, tel: (071) 937-0757.

JACOBY - On August 10th.
after a short unexpected
tilness, Leslie. much loved
wife of Norman and devoted
mother and grandmother
Service takes place at Mark
Beech. Edenbridge. at 1 pm
followed by cremation at
Tunbridge Wells at 2.30 pm
on August 18th. Family
flowers only. Donations to
British Heart Foundation.
Enquiries to S. Smith & Sons.
Edenbridge. 1el: 107321
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KING - On August 10th 1992.

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KING - On August 10th 1992.
peacetuily at home. Jock
King C.M.G. O.B.E.
Husband of the late Violet
King and father of Anthony
and John. stepfather to
Marsaret and Shirtey Ann
and grandfather to Kate.
Charivite, James and Emna.
Funeral Service at St
George's Church.
Nalisworth. on Friday
August 14th at 2 pm. Family
flowers only. donations to
Cotswold Care Hospice. c/o
Fred Stevens Funeral
Director, Newmarket Road,
Nalisworth, Stroud, Clos.

KENCHINGTON - On August 6th. suddenly in London, Mark James Lawrence, much loved son of Sue Riley and John Kenchington and slepson of John Riley. Funeral private. No flowers by request. Enquiries to J.H. Kenyon. 49 Marioes Road. London WB 6LA 1071-937 0757; Service of Thanksgiving to be announced later.

DEATHS

KIPLING - On August 9th. after a short illness at Westmortand General Hospital. Charlotte. dear sister of Tom and Elizabeth. A devoted aunt and greataunt Funeral Service to take place on Friday August 14th at 1.30 pm at 81 Mary's Church. Windermere. Family flowers only. LE QUESME - On August 8th

LE QUESMIE - On August 8th 1992. suddenty. Colonel Edward Frederick (Ted) TD MA. much loved husband-tather and grandfather. Private cremation. no flowers. Memorial Service at Hoty Rood Church. Wool. September 4th at 3 pm. MACLEAN - On August 11th
1992. at The Nuffleid
Hospital Glassow, Vivienne
Neville Bourke, of South
Branchat, Bridge of WeirFormerly of Heathfield.
County Mayo, Much toxed
wife of Sir Robert Maciean
and mother of Caroline,
Gillan, Charles and Robin,
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grandmother and great-grandmother. Funeral Service at Houston and Killellan Kirk. at 19.30 am Friday August 14th. Thereafter funeral private. McNULTY - On August 7th 1992. Anthony Bernard McNulty C.B.E. aged 81. In his steep at itsom House. Tetbury. Former Secretary Europeon Commission of Human Rights. Sadly missed by his familty and very wide circle of friends and admirers. Service at Steets Wellesbourne. Warwickshire on Wednesday August 25th at 2.30 pm followed by crenation Enguiries to Bickley Wheatley & Co., let: (021) 643-2523.

MANDLEY - On Friday
August 7th 1992, in
Cambridge, Agnes, formerly
of The Phillipa Fawcett
Training College, aged 83
years, dear mother of Susan
and Paneta, Funeral Service
at Cambridge Crematorium
on Friday August 14th at
11.30 am. Family flowers
only but donations for the
R.S.P.B. may be sent to The
Lodge, Sandy, Beds,

MYER - On July 30th. Iragically in a flying accident in Alaska. Kenneth Baillieu Myer, AC DSC. eider son of the late Sidney Myer and Dame Merlin Myer of Melbourne and his wife. Yasuko Hiraoko, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Masasuke Hiraoko of Tokyo.

NICHOLLS - On August 10th, suddenly, Michael Ward, much loved husband or Wendy, father of Rachael and James and beloved sleyfather of Slán, David and Cairin and only son of Barry and June, Funeral Service al Sl Michael Penkivel Church, St Michael Penkivel, near Truro, on Friday August 14th at 11 am. Flowers welcome or donations for The Coronary Care Unit. Treliske Hospital. c/o The Funeral Directors. W J. Beswelherick and Son Ld. Control House, Falirmantie Sireel, Truro, tel: 74021.

PETERS - On August 10th 1992. Called home suddenly. Willfrid. aged 83 years, formerly of Wood Green, North London, Freeman of the City of London Fellow of The Royal Society of Arts, former president of the Organ Club of Great Britain and admitted the Worshipful Company of Stationers, Funeral Service at St. Richard's Church, Aldwick, Bognor Regis, on Tuesday August 18th at 2pm. followed by cremation at Chichester Crematorium, Family flowers only but donations if dealered may be sent for St. Richard's Church Organ Fund C/o F.A. Holiand and Son. 38-37 Upper Bognor Rogd. Bognor Regis, tel: (0243) 827311.

READING - On August 9th.
peacefully in bospital, I.I.
Col. John Lockwood Reading,
O.B.E. Beloved and loving
husband of Barbara and of
the laife frene. Dear brother
of Peggs. Funeral Service al
St Mcolas Caurch. Old
Shoreham at 12.46 pm on
Friday August 14th,
followed by cremetion at
Worthing.

ROSS - On August 6th.
peacefully, Dr. James
Stirling Ross MA. MB B
Chir.. beloved husband of
Frances and (ather and
grandfather. Funeral at the
Partish Church of St Mary,
Redbourn. Herts. on Friday
August 14th at 11 am. A
Memorial Service will be
held during September in
Welveyn Garden City.
Family flowers only please
but donations in his memory
to support Redbourn Parish
Church Development Fund
and Day Centre via Phillips
Lid.. 66 Alma Road. St
Albans. Herts. AL1 38L.

ROXBURGH - On August 10th 1992, peacefully at home in St Andrews, Joan... widow of Lieuteriant Hunter Roxburgh RNVR. wife of Willis. mother of Jenniler. William and Peter and grandmother of nine. Thanksgitting Service 11 am Monday August 17th 1992 at the Parish Church of the Holy Trinity. South Street. St. Andrews. Private interment afterwards

SCOTT - On August 9th.
Gusta. peacefully at Rake
House Nursing Home.
Christina Hermina Augusta.
beloved wife of the tale
Reginald Lindsay Much
loved mother of Rob.
Annemie, grandmother and
great-grandmother. Funeral
will take place on Friday
14th at 9.30 at Linchmere
Parish Church. Family
flowers only but donations if
desired to the Guide Does for
the Blind Association may be
sent to L.F. Linton & Son.
Funeral Directors. North
Street. Midhurst, W Sussex.

DEATHS SINCLAIR - On August 9th, Francis Edward. Dearly beloved husband of Mary and dear father of Stewart and Ronald, Peacefully after a long liness. Service at Warren Hills Crematorium, Harare. on Friday August 14th al 11 am. No flowers by request. Donations to The Island Hospice. PO Box 8246. Causeway. Harare, Zimbabwe.

SPEED - On August 10th, suddenly on holiday at Dynichurch, Denis Andrews, aged 72, beloved husband of Betty, much toved father of Michael, Martin and Philippa and dear Papa to Emma, Guy. Racchael and Ben. Cremation at 12 noon on Friday August 14th at Charing Crematorium, Kent. Flowers to Roruney Marsh Funeral Service, George Lane, New Romney, Kent. by 10 am on Friday.

TIFFIN - On August 10th 1992, peacefully at home. Jeremy Robert, beloved hisband of Cill. Devoted father of Alexandra and Matthew. Service at. St. Luke's Church, Crosby, on Friday August 14th at 11.45 am, cremation following at Thoroton Crematorium. Family, flowers only, but if desired donations to Royal Liverpool University Mosquial Cancer Research Fund c/O H. Lestle Humphreys. 69 Liverpool Road. Crosby, Liverpool L23.

TURNER - On August 10th, Jane Turner inée Fossey) peacefuily at home in Oxford, aged 67, after a lone and herok fight against cancer. She had taken a leading part in Oxford voluntary work notably as County Welfare Officer of The Red Cross, For the lest 6 years she was Chairman of The Management Committee of Wyndham House Fight for the Elderty. Funeral at Oxford Crematorium on Friday August 14th at John No flowers please, but donations to Age Concern Oxfordshire, Town Hail, Oxford.

UNGOED - On August 7th
1992, peacefully. Margaret
1992, All enquiries
1993, All enquiries
1994, All enquiries
1996, Al

DEATHS

WILLIAMS - On August 4th
1992. Barbara Tempe
Bayley, dearly loved mother
grandmother and greatgrandmother. Cremation at
2.15 pm on Friday August
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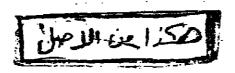
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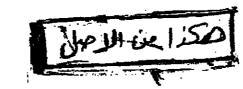
(b) Having to do with twilight, crepuscular, from the Latin resper evening: "Everything else was aquamarine, a sunken meadow, fresh vespertine breezes, sounds he'd never heard before." MERDIVOROUS

(a) French Latin neologism for excrement-eating, from the French merde dung + the Latin -vorous eating: "People found a much greater fascination, you see, in surfing, gamahuching each other, and flashing through those merdivorous TV weeklies." **JOBBERNOWL**

(b) A blockhead or clodpate, from the French jopard silly + OE knol a head: "The jobbesnowl approved this incredible plan (if you want the impossible done, always suggest an improbable manner of doing it)." COSMOPSIS

(a) The Zeitgeist or world view, from the Greek kosmos universe + opsis sight "It is the malady cosmopsis, the cosmic view, that afflicted me. When one has it, one is frozen like a builtrog when the hunter's light strikes him full in the eyes, only with cosmonals there is no hunter and as orich hand to numeer's agent strates must run in the eyes, only mone cosmopsis there is no hunter and no quick hand to terminate the moment — there's only the light."





OBITUARIES

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SIR ERNEST **JONES-PARRY**

Sir Ernest Jones-Parry, executive director of the International Sugar Organisation from 1965 to 1978, died on August 6 aged 84. He was born in Rhuddlan on July 16,

ERNEST Jones-Party began his professional life as an historian but, like many of his flows, he was recruited after the outbreak of the second world war as a civil servant and went on to a distinguished career.

Educated at Bangor in the University of Wales and at the London School of Economics. he began teaching at Aberyst-wyth in 1935 and in 1936 published The Spanish Marnages, which as recently as 1990 was being praised for the cogency of its analysis of Anglo-French relations in the 1840s. Subsequently he edited for the Royal Historical Society two volumes of The Corresnondence of Lord Aberdeen and Princess Lieven, 1832-54. published in 1938 and 1939.

His wartime experience, mostly in the Ministry of Food but also in the Treasury, revealed administrative skills of a high order and after the war ended he was persuaded to remain in the public service, initially to work on what in the jargon of Whitehall is known as "Establishment", the handling of staff.

His kindliness and warmth made him particularly effective with staff welfare as well as in the handling of personal problems and tragedies. But he was also very successful in relations with the civil service staff associations, first in the Ministry of Food and later as Director of Establishments in the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food. 397.40

He proved to be equally effective in both departments

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with the handling of commodity administration. As wartime food scarcities were gradually overcome, problems emerging as a legacy from wartime controls proved to be particularly difficult with sugar, in particular because of the Commonwealth Sugar Agreement. The transition from years of shortage was a relatively rapid

After the war ended the United Kingdom had encouraged production in the Commonwealth, especially in the West Indies but also in Mauritius, Australia and South Africa. Understandably these countries were hesitant about long-term investment, the future of which was uncertain, and Tristram.

assure them of continuing markets in the longer term.
With the gradual abolition of government trading in the 1950s, machinery to replace its assurance had to be devised: it took the form of a Sugar Board, empowered to buy Commonwealth sugar at agreed prices and to trade in it, any losses being passed on to the UK consumer. As the assistant secretary concerned. Jones-Parry was responsible for preparation of the scheme

8, 1897.

personal. As she sang:

My Love's gone a-fighting

The wrongs o' men righting

Where war-trumpets call

Wi' carbine and ball ...

she well knew that her own

fiance had fallen at Gallipoli.

In 1920 Gertrude played Eustacia Vye in the Hardy

Players' performance of The Return of the Native. Hardy was very much involved in the

direction of the play, showing the players how to fight with their wooden swords and

humming tunes for them to

incorporate in The Mummine

Play of St George. Her own performance as Eustacia Vye

was stunning, and Hardy described her as exactly the

physical type" he had in mind

Soon afterwards Gertrude

married her cousin, Captain

Bugler, and moved to

Beaminster. The next play to

be staged was Desperate Rem-

edies but Gertrude was unable

to take part as she was

pregnant. Ironically the per-formance coincided with her

labour and as she lay at her

dark".

and the Commonwealth Sug-

ar Agreement was designed to

leading to what became the Sugar Act of 1956. Against this background it was not surprising that when in 1965 a head had to be found for the international Sugar' Council Jones-Parry was chosen. As executive director of what was subsequently renamed the International Sugar Organisation, he remained until 1978. The role of the organisation was to operate an international commodity agreement of the sort which is now out of fashion. Its aim was to regulate sup-plies on the world market to avoid extremes of high and low prices.

In 1965 the agreement of 1958 had broken down as a result of the coming to power of Castro and the exclusion of Cuban sugar from the United States, previously its main market. By 1967 the world sugar price had fallen to £16 a ton and in 1968 an international conference was called to negotiate a new agreement. Although nominally chaired by the secretary-general of UNCTAD, it was Jones-Parry who eventually steered it to a successful conclusion. The world sugar price rapidly recovered.

His stock was high and he was trusted by delegates from the USA through to the USSR: as one of them put it, nobody but Jones-Parry could have persuaded the Cubans and the South Africans to talk to each other. He presided over two further renegotia-tions, in 1973 and 1978, but was much disappointed that the European Community, which had taken part in all the negotiations, refused to join any of the three agreements with which he wastering a ... Consequently the expansion of European beet sugar production imposed an increasing burden upon cane sugar producers of the Third World. able that Jones-Party was somewhat critical of claims from Brussels for the contribution of the European Community to the welfare of the Third

World. Jones-Parry was a well-rounded character. A good cricketer in his youth, he was passionately interested in both cricket and rugby football, especially when Wales was involved. He had a great knowledge and love of literature his reading of poetry, which was superb, was much admired. He was knighted in

1978. In 1938 he married Mary Powell, who gave him active support throughout their long married life. She strvives him with their two sons, Rupert

EBBE CARLSSON

Ebbe Carlsson, journalist, book publisher and key figure behind the scenes in Swedish political life, died in hospital on August 3 aged 44 of an Aids-related illness. He was born on September 28, 1947.

EBBE Carlsson was a magnet for controversy, featuring prominently in several of the most dramatic episodes of Swedish political life during the past two decades, although he never held elected office. He became a household name in June 1988 when his bodyguard was apprehended at the Swedish border with a suitcase all of illegal eavesdropping inquipment. It was revealed that the book publisher had. with the approval of Anna-Greta Leijon, the minister of ustice, conducted a private investigation into the assassi nation on February 26, 1986, of Olof Palme, the prime minister and friend of

Carlsson. The scandal which ensued led to the resignation of the justice minister, the head of the national police force and the head of the Swedish secret service. Carlsson was found guilty of participating in the attempted smuggling of wiretapping equipment into the puntry, which was to be used to eavesdrop on Kurdish nationalists suspected of the prime minister's murder. The book publisher continued his quest to clear his name and to find out the truth about the Palme assassination.

He started to work at Sydsvenska Dagbladet as a reporter in 1969. In 1974 Carlsson, a lifelong Social Democrat, was named information secretary to Lennart Geijer, the justice minister. One of his first exposures to the deeper waters of Swedish political life came in 1975, when Carlsson and his friend Hans Holmer, who headed the security service. Sapo, were appointed by the government to investigate charges that a secret Social Democratic Party network of spies had illegally registered communists and other political opponents.

After the Social Democrats lost power in the 1976 election, Carlsson became editorin-chief of Vastgota-Demokraten, the Social Democratic newspaper. He stayed there until 1980, when he began a second career as book publisher. In 1984 Carlsson became chief editor of Bonnier Fakta, the book publishing company. He earned a reputation as a brilliant and independentminded executive with a keen sensitivity to the taste of the Swedish reading public. Carisson was also an avid amateur canocist and served

as chairman of the National Canoeist Association. The book publisher, who drank toasts with ambassadors, prime ministers and kings, revealed on television last year that he had contracted the Aids virus. He is remembered as being engag-ing, ambitious and full of fighting spirit. ...

GERTRUDE BUGLER



parents' home in Dorchester she could hear the carriage wheels rolling up the street taking people to see the play. Her baby lived for only a few

During the ensuing year

Hardy wrote The Famous Tragedy of the Queen of Cornwall, anticipating that Gertrude would play the lead-ing role of Iseult the Fair, but she was expecting her second child. Several months later T. H. Tilley visited Gertrude and to her surprise asked if she would be willing to play Tess of the D'Urbervilles. He also said that if she wouldn't, then Hardy would not allow it to be staged (the first dramatisation of Test to be staged had been Lorimer Stoddard's version in New York in 1897, with Minnie Maddern Fiske in the title role; an operatic working of the story had been out on at the San Carlos Opera, Naples, in 1906, when the production had been interrupted by an eruption of Mt Vesuvius).

Her portrayal of Tess, in November 1924, was stark, passionate tragedy, gaining the admiration, of among

others, J. M. Barrie, T. E. Lawrence and Hardy. who gave her a copy of Tess of the D'Urbenvilles in which he wrote: "To the impersonator of Tess." At the end of one performance Frederick Harrison, manager of the Haymarket Theatre, asked Gertrude if she would like to play Tess in London. In January 1925 Gertrude

was invited to luncheon at Max Gate, along with Harrison and Sydney Cockerell. They discussed her going to London, and she read the new dines which Hardy had added to the play. Everything seemed set for a series of matinees at The Haymarket. This was the last occasion that Gertrude saw Hardy; he walked her their parting said: "If anyone asks you if you knew Thomas Hardy, say. Yes, he was my friend'.

Several days later an overwrought and hysterical Florence Hardy, sincerely believing that her aged but still amorously susceptible husband was about to elope, made a sudden visit to Gertrude's home, begging her not to go to London. Gertrude was shocked and hurt, but with her own quiet dignity acquiesced.

One year after Hardy's death in 1928, perhaps motivated by twinges of conscience at her unwarranted outburst of jealousy, Florence Hardy asked Gertrude if she would consider playing Tess at the Duke of York Theatre. So, in 1929, the amateur actress from Dorchester made her London debut in what W. McQueen Pope described as "a triumph".

For mest of her life Ger-trude believed, in a small corner of her heart, that she had let Thomas Hardy down by not going to London. It was only in her last few years, poem "An Expostulation" was written to her, that she realised her performances within Dorset were what he cared for most. He had seen his fictional character Tess brought to life by a child of Wessex who, by some rare twist of fate, was the daughter of the dairymaid whose appearance had inspired the original Tess.

APPRECIATIONS

Sir Robert Muldoon

SIR Robert Muldoon's prompt support (obituary, August 6) for the Falkland Islands during the 1982 invasion helped show that armed aggression cannot be allowed to triumph. It was typical of his forthright determination that while others debated wide issues and hidden agendas he saw a wrong and sought to right it. His generous offer of the loan of HMNZS Canterbury to the Royal Navy was a tremendous tonic for our morale.

During this period of intense anxiety and uncertainty for the Falklands, Sir Robert's robust support helped to mobilise world opinion be-hind the Islands which led ultimately to our liberation. It was not so much the substance of his support as the spirit in which it was offered that did so much for our cause.

There are established links between New Zealand and the Falkland Islands and a num-



ber of islanders lived there. Both share similar geo-political economies, being colonial archipelagos with strong agricultural traditions. We remain indebted to Sir Robert for his resolve in executing what he considered his responsibilities to an international ally.

> Sukey Cameron, Falkland Islands Government UK Representative

Sir Denning Pearson

IN YOUR obituary of the late Jim Pearson (August 5) you omitted his contribution to the Royal Navy's nuclear subma-

rine programme.
Rolls-Royce was the only machinery firm with which Admiral Hyman Rickover, USN, would work. It helped that Pearson, that rara avis amongst chairmen, was also a brilliant engineer, and meetings between Admiral Sir Peter Reid, perhaps the greatest of the Navy's post-war Controllers, Rickover and Pearson ironed out the policy for the many technical problems besetting work which was on the frontiers of British maritime nuclear technology. Sir Charles Dunphie and Sir Leonard Redshaw, chairman and chief executive of Vickers, sent HMS Dreadnought and the subsequent



but it was those early meetings between the Controller and two great engineers which laid the foundations for one of the greatest British engineering achievements since Admiral Fisher built another Dreadnought in just one year, half a

> Vice-Admiral Sir Louis Le Bailly

Dr Cicely Williams

IN YOUR excellent obituary (July 18) you describe Dr Cicely Williams training at Odern's College 'Hospital,' Hackney. In fact this training was at Queen's Hospital for Children, as it was then known, the hospital being renamed Queen Elizabeth Hos-pital for Children in 1954.

hunter-killer and Polaris pro-

grammes down the slipways.

This year Queen Elizabeth Hospital for Children is celebrating its 125th anniversary, as was reported by The Times on July 10, on the occasion of the visit of the Queen Mother. To commemorate this

event, a book has been published Queen Elizabeth Hospital for Children — 125 years of achievement, edited by Jules Kosky. In this book is recorded Dr Cicely Williams training at Queen's Hospital



in 1926 under Dr Helen Mackay, by whose example she was encouraged and influenced.

> J. A. Walker-Smith chairman, 125th anniversary committee

> > 1874

SIR DAVID LLEWELLYN

Sir David (Treharne) Llewellyn. a fournalist, one-time MP and junior minister, died on August 9 aged 76. He was born on January 17, 1916.

DAVID Llewellyn was a Home Office minister and Conservative MP who made his mark in history and in Wales by prompting the government to recognise Cardiff as the Welsh capital. But to racegoers, he was better known as "Jack Logan", the weekly columnist who in the newspaper Sporting Life provoked the establishment of the turi for 27 years. He inherited the column from its creator, but quickly stamped his own identity on it. turning it into a weekly event in sporting

Many were the causes he embraced, including a minimum wage for stable boys and the replacement of concreteposts with plastic ones on courses to lessen the dangers for jockeys. He campaigned for the wearing of hard hats when out riding and firmly rebuked the Queen whenever she opted for a headscarf. He even stanted a movement after the Falklands war to help restart racing at Port Stanley.

The column which took particular delight in sniping at the Jockey Club, was not without its critics who complained that "Logan" often sounded like a dog gnawing at a bone. But Llewellyn, unperturbed, described his style as "the repetition of unpalatable truths" - and held it to be an effective way of getting things moving.

His behaviour reflected what he wrote. in that he preferred the company of the underdog. He shunned the members' enclosure and the press box, avoided all the more fashionable race meetings and never turned up at official dinners if he could help it. He preferred the quieter backwaters of British racing, mingling with farmers in Shropshire or in Devon or enjoying the smoky camaraderie of the betting shop - though he never gambled seriously himself.

Although the column noticeably declined in recent years, his copy was always meticulous and on time. When finally he retired in July the paper devoted a page of tributes to him and announced that "Jack Logan" would die with him.

David Llewellyn's origins were set firmly amid the establishment he liked to provoke. He was born at Aberdare in South Wales, the third son of a mining engineer and coal owner who had been created a baronet by Lloyd George. An



elder brother was Colonel Sir Harry Llewellyn, the 1952 Olympic showjumper.

He went to Eton and Trinity, Cambridge, switching from English to law after two years at his father's insistence. He then began work as a journalist, first in America, then returning to this country in the late 1930s. On the outbreak of war he enlisted in the Royal Fusiliers but was later commissioned into the Welsh Guards and served with them as a captain in North West Europe until he was discharged with a troublesome shoulder and a disability pension.

He fought Aberavon in the 1945

General Election, doing better than any Tory candidate before him, then entered parliament in 1950 for the newly-created seat of Cardiff North. A year later Winston Churchill, returned to power, asked him to take on the job of Under Secretary for Welsh Affairs at the Home Office. Liewellyn, who suffered from Meniere's disease of the inner ear which affected his balance, declined at first but later gave in to pressure from the Home Secretary. David Maxwell Fyle.

His health did not improve, however, and he resigned from the job within 12 months. Seven years later he gave up the Commons altogether at the time of the 1959 election, partly for medical reasons and partly because he was seeing too little

It was in 1955 that he tabled a question in the Commons to the then home secretary, Gwilym Lloyd George, which led to the government confirming Car-diff's position as the Welsh capital. His role in helping to bring this about, as he saw it, was always afterwards a source of great pride.

His writing was not entirely confined to Sporting Life. At various times he contributed columns to the Western Mail and to the Reading Evening Post, wrote book reviews for Books and Bookmen (as well as for Sporting Life) and was also a frequent broadcaster. In the early 1960s he did a series of interviews for Television Wales and the West, which competed with John Freeman's celebrated Face to Face series on the BBC.

Politically he was a very moderate Conservative, close to Harold Macmillan - who knighted him in 1960. He respected and learned from the Welsh Labour MPs who surrounded his own constituency, and he often seemed to prefer their company to that of his fellow Conservatives at Westminster. Some of the mining MPs had once worked for his own father in Aberdare. The only occasion on which he lost his temper in the Commons was when a Conservative member accused the miners of indulging in self-pity. Llewellyn hated snobbery, al

forms of arrogance and bad manners. His own books included Nye: The Beloved Patrician, a study of Aneurin Bevan, which was published in 1961, in addition to The Adventures of Arthur Artfully, a satirical look at the racing world, and a book of racing quotations. He himself also featured in the book

Abuse of Power by the political journalist James Margach. Margach recounted conversation between Llewellyn and Clement Attlee who found themselves sharing a railway compartment on a Cardiff to Paddington train. Attlee said that the most radical politician he had met was Harold Macmillan and went on to reveal that Supermac had held talks with the Labour Party in the late 1930s and, but for the war, would probably have crossed the floor of the House.

But David Llewellyn was most of all a family man who loved his home and his privary. As a younger man he wrote poetry and throughout his life took great pleasure from not only solving crosswords but compiling them. He is survived by his wife, Joan, who ran Churchill's cipher office during the second world war, and by two sons and a daughter.

August 12 ON THIS DAY

An American and two friends. fancying a day by the sea. joined a London excursion train bound for Ramsgate.
After four hours they had
reached only Margate so they disembarked. On the return journey, after many

stoppages, they were by 2.10am the next day still some miles short of the City. By then they had had enough and escaped "from durance vile".

EXCURSION TRAINS

To the Editor of The Times Sir, - Perceiving the letter of "I.W." in The Times of to-day. describing the experience of himself and wife in their attempt to enjoy the Bank holyday, allow me as an American visitor to add a few words confirmatory of the general style of railway management

here from my own experience.

Among other enticements, the London, Chatham, and Dover Railway Company administration of the control of the co vertized that they would take excursionists to Ramsgate for the day, and that two and a half hours would be occupied by the journey each way. I and two friends took tickets at Ludgatehill Station at 7.45am, and got away with reasonable des-patch. The two and a half hours, however, expanded into more than four hours before Margate was reached, where we left the train.

In the evening we joined the train, which, as before, started with moderate punctuality, and we were led to hope that the tardiness of our journey in the morning would be compensated by greater expedition horneward. Our hopes were short-lived. Soon after leaving Margaic, for some unexplained reason, the train was brought to a standstill, these irritating stoppages becoming more frequent as we approached London. Inquiries or remonstrances to the men in charge were alike met by the

stereotyped reply, "that they didn't know: the signals were against them." Finally, at 2.10 on the following morning, being still some miles short of the City, we made our escape from durance vile.

This experience is the exact counterpart of that of Whit Monday, when, yielding to the overtures of the Brighton and South Coast Railway Com-pany, we essayed to reach Brighton. Upon that occasion we were cooped up for three and a half hours going down and four and a half hours in returning, reaching Londonbridge station about 1 am or Whit-Tuesday. We were credibly informed that many others did not reach town until 6 o'clock that morning. Appeals to officials were perfectly useless, and we resigned ourselves to the inevitable.

Palpably the only thought of

the companies announcing these trains is to issue as many tickets as may be applied for, entirely irrespective of the phys-ical ability to perform the engagements undertaken. This engagements undertaken. This flagrant disregard of punctual-ity is fast becoming, or, I might say, has become, the estab-lished rule of railway companles in regard to excursion traffic, and appears to me a public grievance demanding prompt redress. The wrong is committed so often with impunity mainly because the toiling artisan is the subject of it, and for want of power to obtain satisfaction his just complaints are treated with indifference. I do not exaggerate in saying that the imitation of the hu dreds of deceived and betrayed excursionists, at length became such that it needed but little to have caused serious disturbance and probable disaster. Deeming it my duty to add my testimony to the fact of the

gross mismanagement of excursion trains, allow me to express a hope that the intimation recently given to the rail-way authorities on this point by your Government will receive the attention it demands.

Most respectfully yours, J.B.C.

BT bill pegging will be selective

By Ross Tieman INDUSTRIAL CORRESPONDENT

BT HAS agreed to peg telephone price increases to 7.5 per cent below inflation for the next four years, but many of Britain's 18 million domestic telephone users are unlikely to see real cuts in their bills.

Vivienne Peters, chief executive of the Telephone Users' Association, said benefits of the tougher price-control re-gime agreed yesterday be-tween BT and Oftel, its regulator, would concentrated on business users and households which

make the most calls. With inflation, as mea-sured by the Retail Prices Index, now at 3.9 per cent and expected to remain low, BT should be on course to deliver real price cuts to users. Under the existing formula -RPI minus 6.25 per cent which expires next July, most customers saw their bills continue to rise because inflation was high, and BT concentrated price cuts on long-distance and international calls.

Under the new formula. which takes effect next August, cuts are expected to continue to be focused in these areas because BT can chose where to make the cuts within a "basket" of prices on which the formula is calculated. The median household bill will still be allowed to rise in line with inflation. Domestic line rentals will go on rising

by RPI plus 2 per cent. Only householders who pay more than the average bill of £43 a quarter are likely to see prices rise at less than the rate of inflation, BT said, but there would be an extension of the low-user rebate scheme to take in four million subscribers, more than double the present number, and connection charges would be limited to a maximum of £99.

Although Oftel's proposals were published more than two months ago, BT said an agreement had been delayed by difficulty in establishing workable arrangements for implementation. The company had campaigned hard for the right to make bigger increases in household bills, arguing that three-quarters of families used the phone too little to cover the cost of providing a service. Oftel insisted that BT should be prepared to accept lower returns from

Competitors named, page 15



High flyer drops in from Civvy Street

By Michael Evans, defence correspondent

MARIE Raddiffe has become the first woman to be recruited directly from civil-ian life into the Parachute Regiment by joining the 4th battalion, one of three Territorial Army parachute

A qualified parachutist before being recruited, the 28year-old private has already been chosen as a member of 4 Para's free-fall display team, known as the Black Lanyards. The regiment is based at Thornbury, near Bradford. She works for a textile company in Elland, near Halifax, in west Yorkshire, but at weekends she wears combat gear and boots for moorland manoeuvres or

jumping out of planes.
She said: "I wanted to combine the excitement of para-chuting with something more worthwhile and the Pa-ras seemed ideal. Other girls might think that I'm a bit strange but I'm still a woman and feminine. But I do like the Private Benjamin tag [a film starring Goldie Hawn as to put on my combat gear and get muck on my face. "I take it very seriously and

would fight for my country with the rest of the regiment if I had to." Sergeant Ian Midgely, her display team leader, said: "We are very proud of her. She is the first woman to join the regiment and has had no previous service experience. She's an

amazing lady."
The Parachute Regiment Red Devils display team also has a woman member, recruited from what is now called the Adjutant General's Corps. But Marie Radcliffe ectly from Civvy Street.



Radcliffe: "I do like the Private Benjamin tag"

UN will use armed force to secure food delivery for starving Somalia

FROM SAM KILEY, AFRICA CORRESPONDENT, IN MOGADISHU

THE United Nations is to resort to military intervention in an effort to end the suffering of Somalia's starving millions. Armed "security personnel" are to take over the main port in the capital, Mogadishu, where 200 people are dying every day. Within a month, roads leading to distribution points

will be secured to help to deliver food to the 1.5 million Somalis facing starvation after 18 months of civil war. The move, which has been accepted by all the warring factions in the country, is a big breakthrough for the Uni-ted Nations' special represen-tative to Somalia. Muhammad Sahnoun, after six months of tense negotiations between the five factions whose fighting has reduced the country to rubble and anarchy. Food aid into Somalia has been regularly hijacked by warring factions and either distributed to their own men or sold on the open market.

Mr Sahnoun said yesterday that the Somali National Alliance, an uneasy coalition of four main factions, led by General Aidid.

General Muhammad Farrah Aidid, accepted that 500 troops should be deployed in Mogadishu harbour, where vast quantities of food are held up by daily fighting and looting. "The deployment has been accepted, but some details have yet to be finalised and negotiations are still

going on," he said. Mr Sahnoun, an Algerian diplomat, is expected to fly to Baidera, in western Somalia, to complete the deal with the SNA, which is made up of the Somali Patriotic Front, General Aidid's faction of the United Somali Congress, the Somali Democratic Movement and the South Somali National Movement. General Aidid has been

blamed for holding up the deployment of United Nations troops. However, Mr Sahnoun said yesterday that the general was meeting considerable opposition to the presence of foreign troops on Somali soil from within his own army, and from the SPM, led by general Omar Jesse, a member of the Darod clan and a former enemy of

over the western coast and hills, will spread south to reach southeast England by the afternoon. There will be showers in Scotland and Northern Ireland at first, becoming confined to northwest Scotland later. It will be breezy in most places, with strong winds along the coasts and hills. Outlook: mainly dry and bright on Thursday. Patchy rain will reach western areas on



Mr Sahnoun was anxious to point out that no United Nations troops would be used in the traditional "peacekeeping role", and that their mandate would be to ensure that food entered Somalia safely. "It is very important that they are looked upon as security personnel and not troops or soldiers. Their role will be

strictly humanitarian." The leader of the United Nations military observers already deployed in Mogadishu. Brigadier General Amtiar Shaheen, of Pakistan. said yesterday that as his country had already offered troops to the United Nations for Somalia, it would take

only four or five days to deploy Pakistani soldiers. "We have already selected the doctors and nurses we need and it would take no time to get the troops lined up."
So far, groups such as Save

the Children and the International Committee of the Red Cross have been able to carry out feeding programmes in some parts of Somalia, induding Mogadishu, but this has been at vast expense, because of the high cost of flying in to remote areas, and to limited effect, because only small amounts than can be carried by plane.

Aid agencies welcomed news of the United Nations intervention, but some had reservations about how armed Somalis might react. "The key really is that people accept them as a humanitarian protection force, rather than any form of occupation force," David Shearer, of Save the Children, said.

• Brussels: The European Community is preparing to give £2.8 million in food aid to Somali refugees. The package will largely go to those in Yemen and Kenya. (AFP)

Ashdown affair man cleared of burglary

Continued from page 1

the burglar, whoever he wasknows that you can make a rich living.

The judge said that although the documents relaied to a prominent MP that crime must be dealt with by way of a deterrent sentence regardless of whether it referred to a person in an exact ed position or a person in a lowly one.

The jury found Berkowitz guilty of dishonestly handling stolen property by a majority verdict. They cleared him of stealing the documents and £233.63 from the offices of Bates, Wells & Braithwaite in the City where Andrew Phillips, a senior partner, was Mr Ashdown's solicitor.

Berkowitz, 45, of Landsdowne Street, Hove. East Sussex, had denied both charges. The jury, which took six hours and twelve minutes to reach their verdict, with eight having asked the ushel-for headache tablets, was told by the judge that it had not known of Berkowitz's background because of the laws of

British justice. "Sometimes we lean over too far," he said.
The court had heard that the memorandum compiled by Mr Phillips after a meeting with the Liberal Democrat leader in 1990 to discuss the affair had been placed in

a safe in the basement. Shortly after a break-in in January this year, when cash was stolen, it came to light that the document was also missing when Patricia Howard, who was besieged in her home by News of the World reporters wanting to ask her about the affair, telephoned Mr Phillips. An injunction was served

for the return of the documents and copies. Mr Ashdown, aware of the rumours, denied the News of the World their exclusive and Berkowitz his money by holding a press conference to give details of the affair in 1986.

Berkowitz told the court that he felt he was a pawn in a complex set-up to discredit Mr Ashdown.

Berkowitz has been sentenced to a total of 21 years in prison since 1973. Many c the crimes were burglaries of solicitors offices and other business premises.

Detective inspector Karen Young of City police said yesterday that there were no plans to reopen the inquiry into the burglary.

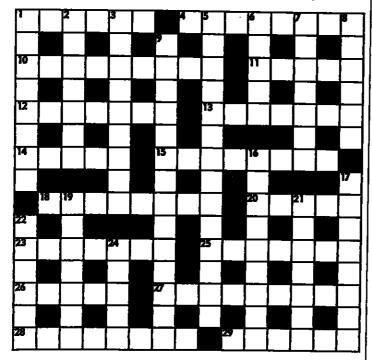
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THE TIMES CROSSWORD NO 18,995



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4 The sort of sleep that is divine in Wagner (8). 10 House finished - few left at this

stage (9). 11 Watering place in the country 12 Handle the artisan finally made of baked clay (7).

13 More work, to the point of being impractical (7). 14 Old rider returns to take part in national hunt season (5).

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island (5). 23 Concession by the Queen for singers (7).

25 lodine's broken up into the smallest possible amounts (7). 26 Kids follow one to the pictures

Solution to Puzzle No 18.994



effort (9).

28 Override, as ton-up boys presum-29 Letter of credit covered by growth potential (6).

DOWN 1 In the 4. Venus may appear a wreck (8). 2 It may be an Arabic or Roman symbol (7).

3 Little likelihood of a catch at cover-point (3,6). 5 Old person goes about slurping a cocktail at a time of revelry (9.5).

6 Suitable line for a cow-catcher 7 The importance of scientific discovery (7).

8 One who may have a temporary occupation (6). 9 Lacking purpose, number join in mutiny (14).

16 Bizarre like the Way of the World? (9). 17 What Macbeth did to sleep, when done in (8). 19 Paint for putting on outside (7).

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This puzzle was solved within 30 minutes by 32 per cent of the competitors at the 1992 Bristol regional final of The Times InterCity Crossword Championship.

Concise Crossword Life & Times section, page !!

A MORNAL WAGEN

A daily safari through the suage jungle. Which definition are correct? By Philip Howard

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a. The Zeitgeist
b. Eye make up
c. Little sister to the world

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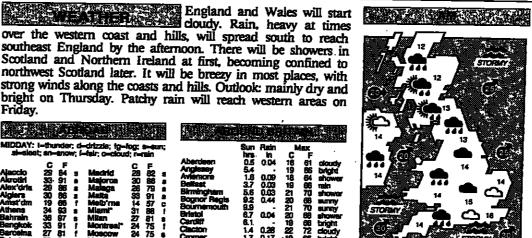
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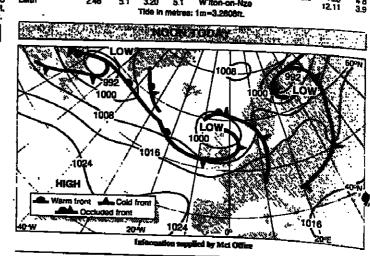
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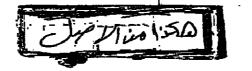


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Top selling artists like Jessye Norman and Luciano Pavarotti have lifted net income at

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that weak demand and smuggling will force a cut in the final dividend

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By K. K.

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Skipton move rekindles fear of mortgage rate increases

FEARS of a general increase in mortgage rates were revived yesterday when the Skipton, the 14th largest building society, announced it was increasing its mortgage rate by 0.5 percentage points to 11.25 per

cent from today.

The society, based in Yorkshire, has 65,000 borrowers and, like other middle-sized societies, has felt its margins under pressure recently. The largest lenders are hoping to avoid an increase, but have not ruled one out.

The Halifax, the largest mortgage lender, said: "Given the current uncertainties over interest rates and moves by competitors, we are keeping our rates under review." The Abbey National said it had no immediate plans to change rates. A spokes-

man said: "We are waiting to see what happens among our competitors."

The Bradford & Bingley announced that it would be following the Nationwide Building Society in cutting its rates to savers

rather than increasing its mortgage rate. National Westminster also cut its savings rates on its four reserve accounts.

The Skipton's move comes after the government has out the interest rates on virtually all National Savings products to stave off a mortgage increase. Last month, the Cheltenham & Glouces-

ter, the sixth largest society, increased its mortgage rate by 0.24 per cent and the FIRST Option Bond, which had attracted £112 million in days had its rate cut immediately. Last week, further reductions in National Savings rates were announced. However, severe damage has already

been done to societies. In the first six months

of the year, outflows were £343 million and by the time the outflow in July is subtracted, it is likely that societies will have had a net outflow during 1992.

The Skipton, which has 350,000 investors, has a successful instant access account. Like the Cheltenham & Gloucester's London share account this is particularly vulnerable to savers moving their money for a better rate. The Skipton has noticed that customers have little confidence and are withdrawing money from savings accounts to repay short-term borrowings, as well as being attracted by the better rates on offer from National Savings.

John Goodfellow, chief executive said:
"Our position as the society with the second best cost/income ratio of the largest 20 societies has allowed us, and will continue to allow us, to offer competitive investment rates and attractively priced mortgage products. We are taking a positive step towards addressing today's market and ensuring that we provide a sound retail

investment base for the future. The margin between the rate that societies pay to investors and the amount they are paid by borrowers has been under pressure this year. Special offers to first-time buyers at below 9 per cent cannot be funded by savings rates up to 11 per cent gross for long. The provisions for bad debt, required by the Building Societies Commission, are

also cutting into the margins.

Skipton borrowers will not pay any more until their September payments. The society expects other lenders to follow its move. It also increased savings rates on its two key

Those lenders most pressed to move will rely greatly on an instant access or short notice account for their funding and be

uncomfortably close to the limit for whole-sale funding. Societies can only get up to 40 per cent of their funding from the wholesale markets. They have to stop considerably short of this ceiling for fear of contravening it if money flows out of their accounts at any

Geoff Lister, chief executive of the Bradford & Bingley said: "Margins need to be wider. We are increasing ours by cutting savers' rates. The last thing the market needs at the moment is an increase in mortgage rates. It needs stimulating and we have put our suggestions to the Chancellor of the Exchequer on how first-time buyers

can be helped. "If we are to help to keep people in arrears in their homes, we need to improve our

Leading article, page 11

Concerted bank action fails to help dollar

By Anatole Kaletsky, economics editor

was seen in the market selling

intervenion initially impressed some dealers, but the impact

was soon undone by unguard-

German bank's top officials.

Bundesbank was not trying to

Johann Wilhelm Gaddum,

CENTRAL banks from around the world failed to reverse the decline of the dollar after repeated rounds of concerted intervention in Europe and New York. The pound recovered slightly against the mark on the back of the dollar intervention, but gave up most of its gains. Stock markets also reacted positively to the intervention

at first, but fell back later. The American currency, battered by heavy selling for several months after a series of disappointing reports on employment and economic growth rallied by 1 2 pfennigs against the mark after the first round of intervention, led by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York as soon as the American markets opened. But bearish speculators and investors soon returned in force and pushed the dollar back down towards its opening levels, despite repeated purchases of dollars for marks

per cent in the 12 months to

July, the lowest annual rate of

inflation in manufacturing re-

corded since February 1968.

prior to the impact of the 1967

The annual rise in producer

prices has fallen steadily from

4.5 per cent in January, and

edged down again from the 3.5 per cent recorded for the year to June. Prices rose 0.2

per cent in July, after seasonal adjustments, and have risen

only 0.7 per cent since April.

Excluding food, drink and

tobacco, producer price infla-

tion edged down from 2.9 per

cent in the 12 months to June

inflation has added fuel to the

campaign by the Confedera-tion of British Industry to

persuade the government that

there is no longer any signifi-

cant underlying supply infla-

tion in the economy.

The CBI said: "The battle

against inflation is clearly be-

ing won. Underlying infla-

tionary pressures have moved

into line with those being ex-

to 2.8 per cent last month. The sharp slowdown in cost

devaluation of sterling.

defend any specific dollar lev-el. He added that the Bundesbank had intervened at the Federal Reserve's request. The timing of his comments immediately undermined the appearance of a cooperative worldwide effort and raised doubts in the market about the German bank's true intentions. Herr Gaddum's remarks also seemed to contradict an overnight statement by Nicholas Brady, the Ameri-

a lower dollar. Une dealer said: "In effect the Bank of England, the what Gaddum was saying is Bank of France and a dozen the Bundesbank will only

tors. An inability to raise prices

is continuing to squeeze com-

panies' profit margins, but this

is now being limited as firms

have brought unit cost growth

under control. This bodes well

for industrial competitiveness

and suggests that companies

should be well placed to bene-

fit when demand in home and

overseas markets recovers."

Industry's costs have continued to benefit from falling costs of fuel and raw materials.

In the year to end July, input prices fell on average 1.5 per

cent, unchanged from June.

Annual changes in input pro-

cess have stuck within a range

of plus 1 per cent to minus 3 per cent for more than two

City commentators support-

ed the CBI line that manufac-

turers were no longer fuelling

inflation. Gwyn Haache, se-

nior economist at James Capel, said: "It emphasises the

very weak inflation pressures

in the economy, which isn't terribly surprising given the

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Factory price rises

lowest for 24 years

By Graham Searjeant, financial editor

THE prices of goods leaving perienced by our key competi-Britain's factories rose by 3.4 perienced by our key competi-tors. An inability to raise prices

can treasury secretary, who

said Washington did not want

other European central banks. intervene on the Fed's instruc-The fact that the Bundesbank tions, and no European central bank will come in by its own currency and then publicly confirmed its itself." Other traders criticised the tactics of the whole exercise, noting that the central banks had failed to take the market by surprise and had not succeeded in punishing ed comments from one of the speculators who had gone short of dollars. If anything, the market was slightly long a bank director, said that the on dollars, since many investors had been expecting official dollar buying yesterday after the intervention by the Fed and Bundesbank in New

York last Friday. Richard Medley, government policy analyst for Soros Fund Management, said: "I was stunned that the intervention was this unsuccessful. Once intervention fails like this, it is very hard to do anything to reverse a market trend, short of changing inter-est rates, which neither America nor Germany is prepared to

step in the international dollar support operation might be a series of strong public statements. An authoritative statement from the Bundesbank that it wanted a stronger dollar could have an impact. He added that, despite Herr Gaddum's denial, key officials in the German central bank did seem to hold this view. Another key factor behind

the apparent failure of yesterday's intervention was the report about President Bush's alleged extra-marital affair that came over the wires from Washington just as the intervention began. Although the story had long been rumoured in the financial markets, President Bush's response unnerved some traders, who said his explicit denial could serve to keep speculation alive by turning the issue into a matter of public trust. Despite the criticisms of

yesterday's interventions, some traders said the central banks may have succeeded in putting down a marker against the extreme dollar bears in the market. Although the dollar failed to rally, it did not fall below the level of about DM1.4630 at which the Fed had repeatedly intervened over the past two months.

Mr Medley said: "If the central banks can convince the market that they will not let the dollar fall below the present level, traders could decide that the long term trend is about to turn.

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Surge at Saatchi surprises

BY MARTIN WALLED DEPUTY CITY EDITOR

SAATCHI & Saatchi, pulled back from the brink of collapse by Robert Louis-Dreyfus after his arrival as chief executive in January last year, has an-nounced the first profit since his appointment.

The group surprised the stock market with interim pretax profits £4 million ahead of best forecasts at £11.1 million in the six months to end-June, against a restated loss of £32.0 million last time. There is again no dividend, and M Louis-Dreyfus said no payment could be expected until at least 1995.

He said markets were still "lousy", with no sign of an upturn in revenues. "We won't see Saatchi making the kind of profit they were making in the mid-1980s until the recovery is there."

Maurice Saatchi, the chairman, said: "After a very promising start to 1992, the level of new business wins has slowed and the outlook for revenues continues to be similar to last vear, excluding currency movements which may be adverse for the full year."

Saatchi had the benefit in the first half of a £1.9 million exceptional profit earned from the sale of some of the group's fine an collection. Revenues fell in America, by 3 per cent, and in Britain by 4 per cent. M Louis-Dreyfus, who stands down next June, said the group's finances were stable.

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Four BT competitors named

By Ross Tieman, industrial correspondent

ensea to oder a tuli range of telecommunications services in competition with BT and Mercury, Edward Leigh, the technology minister, said.

The licences would end a decade of duopoly in the British market for fixed network phone services, and pave the way for the development of true competition.

Mr Leigh made clear the government's intention after

John Charcol.

FOUR companies are likely to BT acceded to demands from WorldCom International, is Official its regula or, to umit price increases to 7.5 per cent below the rate of inflation for four years from August 1993. The proposed licensees have

been selected from among more than 20 which applied to the trade and industry department to set up in competition with BT and Mercury. Two of them, Ionica 1.3 and National Network, are British owned A third.

com (Holdings) is the British arm of an American company.

Draft licences drawn up by the DTI would allow each company to build fixed networks throughout the UK, and to provide international services over links leased from other operators.

BT prices pegged, page 14 Comment, page 19

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American adversity to BA link grows

By PHILIP ROBINSON AND MICHAEL TATE

AMERICA'S three largest airlines are stepping up their opposition to British Airways proposed \$750 million alliance with USAII. BA's plan to take 21 per cent of the votes and 44 per cent of the equity in USAir, America's fourth largest airline, has already been attacked by American Airlines and Delta.

The opposition came as BA revealed pre-tax profits of £91 million in the three months to end-June, ten times more than the same quarter last year, as passengers resumed air travel after the Gulf war. BA shares dipped 7p to 254p. Lord King, chairman of BA, said yesterday that the airline

flew 7.2 million passengers

during the first quarter, a 15.5

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Wolf: conditions per cent increase over the same period a year ago. But he admitted that premium traffic, first class and other high-fare business, was still depressed. Forward bookings for the

second quarter indicated con-

tinued strength in demand. services to Manchester and but Lord King gave warning that passenger yields would cominue to suffer from the strength of sterling and the depressed premium demand. Commenting on the agree-

ment to take a 21 per cent voting stake in USAir for \$750 million, he said that both airlines were confident that the regulatory authorities would recognise the benefits of the deal and that "all neces-sary approvals will be given". But Stephen Wolf, chairman of United Airlines, says

unless Britain opens its skies to the Americans.

government on air transport if it fails to secure opportunities for its own carriers as a condition of approving the BA

tionist policies." no deal should be allowed Delta has already called on

Among the airline's demands, United wants the right to increase the number of flights to Heathrow, the right to fly non-stop from Chicago to London and to operate by a foreign airline.

In an internal letter to staff. Mr Wolf said it would be the most monumental mistake ever made by the American

alliance. Mr Wolf added that the current proposal would give BA control of USAir "without making the slightest crack in its own government's protec-

the American government to declare the BA-USAir link illegal because special rules on voting in the boardroom would give BA effective control. American law says none of its carriers can be controlled

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PolyGram strikes a high note

BY WOLFGANG MUNCHAU EUROPEAN BUSINESS

POLYGRAM, the music and film company, again proved that its business is one of the most recession-proof.

The company, which is quoted in Amsterdam and is 80 per cent owned by Philips, the Dutch consumer electronics group, saw net income rise 16.3 per cent to FI 171 million (£54 million) in the first six months of this year.

Although sales growth slowed during the period, sales remained firm at Fl 2.98 billion, an increase of 10.1 per

Over the past two years, the company has conducted an ambitious investment programme, which ranges from a 30 per cent stake in Sir Andrew Lloyd Webber's Really Useful Holdings to a distri-bution agreement with Motown Records, the legendary American record label.

In America, the world's largest music market, the company increased market share from 11.5 per cent to 14 per cent as American sales rose 46 per cent, including consolidations.

The deal with Motown. "has exceeded our expectations". Alain Levy, president of PolyGram, said."1 am confident that our work with Motown will help PolyGram's involvement in black music to grow substantially." he added

However, the company said that this growth was achieved despite difficult trading conditions in Europe and a weaker release schedule for classical

Rea Brothers, the mini mer-

chant bank, because of a

slump in income and ad-

vances. The bank suffered a

29 per cent fall in pre-tax

profits to £284.000 in the first

half of the year even though it

cut its bad debt provisions from £400.000 to only

The damage was caused by

a 15 per cent reduction in

Rea's balance sheet to £255

million, which included an



Singing the right songs: Jessye Norman, one of PolyGram's best-selling vocal artists

music than in previous years". The best selling vocal artists during the period included Cecilia Bartoli, Placido Domingo. Kiri te Kanawa, Jessye Norman and Luciano Pavarotti. Def Leppard's Adrenalize and Elton John's

£30.7 million. Despite the fall.

Rea is maintaining its interim

dividend at 0.25p.

Cadbury report.

its core businesses.

Rea falls despite cutting

bad debt provisions

BY NEIL BENNETT, BANKING CORRESPONDENT

PROFITS have tumbled at £11 million fall in loans to

The One were among the most successful pop albums. New releases in the second half of this year include Sir Georg Solu on Decca, in celebration of his 80th birthday, and a audio and video edition of Wagner's opera.

The company is also satisfied with Really Useful Holdings. The theme song for the Barcelona Olympic Games. Amigos Para Siempre. written by Sir Andrew, has been released by

Polydor. PolyGram hopes that the

music business will gain an extra boost through the launch this year of the digital compact cassette. Mr Levy said he expects "progress" for the year as whole, but added that there

Bowater deal will not be referred

BY OUR CITY STAFF

sterilisation bags and pouches

Annual turnover of

Bowater's Welton bags and

pouches is £2 million, while

the annual turnover from the

supply of DRG bags and

pouches is approximately £4

has been asked to start negoti-

ations immediately with

The Office of Fair Trading

THE trade and industry department will not refer acquisition of Quoteplan, which trades as Cope Allman Packaging, to the Monopolies and Mergers

For the first time, Rea has However, the department is published an interim balance to refer Bowater's acquisition sheet, to comply with the of DRG Packaging from recommendations of the Pembridge Investments to the commission on the advice of Sir John Hill, the chairman. Sir Bryan Carsberg, the direcsaid the outlook for the rest of tor of Fair Trading, "unless

quisitions, costing a total £444 million, at the beginning of refer to the supply of medical

> A £334 million rights issue to partly fund the acquisitions met with an enthusiastic response from shareholders, with nearly 95 per cent of the rights taken up.

A spokeswoman for Bowater had no immediate comment, but said that the company would issue a formal reaction soon.

Outside parties have until August 19 to register their views on the deal with the Office of Fair Trading.

Exceptional items lift Manchester

By MATTHEW BOND

Ship Canal

MANCHESTER Ship Canal Company, which is 72 per cent owned by Peel Holdings. has reported pre-tax profits of £7.8 million in the six months to end-June, well ahead of the £4.8 million it reported in the first half of 1991.

However, all the improvement came from £3 million of exceptional items, generated by compensation for the termination of an operating contract at Ellesmere Port container terminal and subsequent asset sales, and a separate compensation payment for giving up a pre-emption right over land at Trafford Park. If these exceptionals are stripped out, profits declined slightly from E5.1 million to E4.8 million.

Robert Hough, chairman, said the company had performed well despite the continuing difficult economic

Operating profits from the port operation rose by alomst 21 per cent to £3.2 million. with cost-saving magnifying a 3.3 per cent increase in port income to £9.4 million. Tonnage was static at 4.1 million torines.

The group's property activi-ties continue to be hit hard by falling tenant demand and over-supply. When its Harbour City development is com-pleted shortly. MSC will have property with a potential rent roll of some £2 million standing empty. Property income in the first half was £2.8 million, slightly bleow last year's comparable figure because of asset

Mr Hough said that the group was a long-term investor in its property portfolio and has the financial strength to wait for lettings to come through. With no interest payments capitalised, the interest charge in the position. terest charge in the profit and loss account rose from £0.8

million to £1.2 million. A March balance sheet prepared for Peel's full-year results showed net assets rising from £137 million to £154 million, following the revalua-tion of dredging deposit and waste disposal sites. With borrowings being further reduced in the second quarter, MSC finished the half year with gearing of under 6 per cent. As normal no interim dividend is being paid.

BUSINESS ROUNDUP

North West Water bids for Argentine contract

NORTH West Water has qualified for the final stage of bidding for a 30-year contract to maintain and expand the water and waste-water system in Buenos Aires, Argentina. The Argentine government is expected to award the contract

The deal includes linking more than three million of the Argentine capital's population to the water supply system and four million to the waste-water system. Andrew Glasgow. managing director of North West Water International, said: "It is certainly one of the largest and most challenging projects in the industry." His company was named recently as the preferred tenderer for a major contract to design and operate a new water treatment plant in Melbourne.

Newmark still in red

THE loss of the UK agency for Swatch, the Swiss watch brand, helped to push Louis Newmark, the precision engineer and watch distributor, to a pre-tax loss of £980,000 (loss £1.07 million) in the year to April 4. Turnover declined to £24.8 million (£36.6 million). There was a loss per share of 29.9p (loss 34.8p). There in no dividend (nil). The results include Swarch sales of £1.36 million compared with £8.21 million. Newmark lost the agency, which accounted for the largest share of profits from watch distribution, in June 1991. The second half was affected by poor sales of capital goods items, in particular gauges and access control systems.

Newmarket loss grows

NEWMARKET Venture Capital, an investor in unquoted companies, saw pre-tax losses deepen from £421,000 to £1.04 million in the six months to end-June. Total net asset value fell from £21.6 million (60p a share) to £20 million (50p a share). A gain in NAV of £400.000 from an investment in British Bio-technology was more than offset by a weakness in the share price of some American investments. A 9 per cent drop in the value of the dollar against sterling accounted for a reduction of £600,000 in NAV. The assignment of a property lease and the costs of relocating to short-term accommoda-tion reduced NAV by £800,000.

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Setback at Crossroads

CROSSROADS Oil is still aiming to get back to the dividend list despite having to pass the final again. Pre-tax profits in the year to the end of March slipped from £372,049 to £283,084. Turnover fell from £1.05 million to £791.690, while the interest bill was £75,138, compared with £13.055 received in the previous 12 months. The company said an increasing number of opportunities were becoming available for niche players in North America. Dividend payments would begin as soon as the level of cash flow permitted a would begin as soon as the level of cash flow permitted a prudent balance between capital needs and shareholders'

Fairfax chief named

STEPHEN Mulholland, head of South Africa's Times Media Ltd., has been appointed chief executive and managing director of John Fairfax, the Australian publishing ing group. Mr Mulholland, 56, who was born in Britain, will take up his position next month. The announcement was made by Sir Zelman Cowen, who became chairman of Fairfax when Conrad Black's Tourang consortium won control of the group last December, a year after it went into

Metal Bulletin up

METAL Bulletin, the specialist publisher and conference six months to end-June on turnover of £5.8 million (£5.4 million). Earnings per share were 5.1p (4.2p). There is an interim dividend of 2.7p (2.4p) a share. Increased contributions from newsletters, conferences and research services made up for a fall in advertising revenue. An extraordinary charge of £54.600 represents the cost of moving from the unlisted securities market to a full listing in July.

NatWest expands

NATIONAL Westminster has expanded its operations in Italy with the acquisition of Continental Bank's branch in Milan for an undisclosed sum. The acquisition is NatWest's first expansion into the Italian corporate banking market. The new branch will offer treasury, risk management and capital markets services as well as mainstream corporate banking. The deal still depends on approval from the Bank of Italy, and the branch will continue to operate as Continental until that is completed.

Crown Eyeglass rises

THE loss of a sales contract in Sweden had no impact on results from Crown Eyeglass, the Blackburn-based spectacle maker and distributor, which reported pre-tax profits of £451.000 (£251.000) in the year to end-March. The profit figure was struck after the deduction of a £56,000 "golden handshake" for Harold Stonefield who retired as purchasing director in March. Turnover increased to £3.99 million (£3.4 million). Earnings per share were 19.4p (11.2p). A final dividend of 4p (3.5p) a share makes a total of 6p (3.5p).

Armitage advances

PRESSURE on sales and margins of the group's main pet products division sent operating profit at Armitage Brothers back to £993,000 from £1.06 million in the year to end-May. But a lower interest bill allowed Armitage to increase pre-tax profits from £708,000 to £851,000, and a 3.4p final dividend makes a total up from 5.7p to 6.0p. Robert Armitage, the chairman, said sales levels concernity continued to discovering the content of the said sales levels concernity continued to discovering the content of the said sales levels concernity continued to discovering the sales levels concernity. chairman, said sales levels generally continued to disappoint but indications were encouraging as to the kevel of Christmas

Bowater with a view to obtaining undertakings that will remedy the competition probthe year was not encouraging, but that he hoped Rea would suitable undertakings" are offered by Bowater to remedy lems on the DRG purchase. the expected adverse effects of continue to make progress in the deal. The "adverse effects" Bowater announced the ac-

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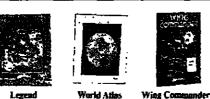
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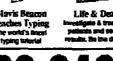
















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Boost likely for Restart scheme

By Ross Tieman, industrial correspondent

get the jobless into work are likely to be given fresh impetus after an independent study showed intervention by the employment service is effective in cutting the number of long-

term unemployed.
Gillian Shephard, the employment secretary, has already made it clear she wants to stem the steep rise in the number of long-term jobless caused by the recession.

The study by the Policy Studies Institute (PSI) for the employment service examined the impact of the government's Restart scheme.

Under the programme, launched five years ago, un-employed people are called for an interview at their local JobCentre after they have been claiming benefit for six months, and every six months thereafter. Staff provide counselling on job seeking and, where appropriate, offer access to training schemes or other government

programmes. The PSI concluded that people who had Restart interviews were typically unem-ployed for 20 per cent less time than people who did not. People going through Restart spent on average 5 per cent less time unemployed

GOVERNMENT schemes to during the following year. Some occurred because Restart interviewees were more likely to take up offers of places on the government's Employment Training programme, but Restart interviewees did also subsequently spend more

time in employment.
In some cases Restart had little effect. Fourteen per cent of interviewees were continuously unemployed for the whole of the subsequent year. but among those who did not have a Restart interview, the proportion was 21 per cent.

But many of those who found work after interviews subsequently became unemployed again. According to the PSI: "The overall effects of Restart were limited by the short periods for which many jobs last on the less-skilled side of the jobs market.

"At least 40 per cent of all unemployed people who got jobs were out of them again within a year." Restart, which was extended

nationwide in 1987 after a pilot programme in 1986, cost the employment department £40 million to run in the year to end-March. Last year, 2.5 million people who had been without work for more than six months were given

Job seekers ill-suited for interviews

BY RODNEY HOBSON

JOB hunters are abandoning the suit and tie and dressing in outrageous clothes in order to stand out from the other

One young hopeful sped into the interview room on a skateboard Another candidate, determined to show the prospective employer how desperately he needed the job, had large holes in his

Jeff Grout, managing director of Robert Half, the financial recruitment specialist. said: "Many interview candidates are abandoning the conservative suit and sensible shoes for a look that is bound to get them noticed - but for the Arong reasons.

Examples of odd interview attire offered by managers taking part in a survey we conducted varied from the merely inappropriate to the provocative, and even the revolting earrings, pony

tails, sandals, shorts, bright yellow suits and pink corduroys were listed. And that was just the men." Other male candidates made their

mark at important interviews by turning up in a boiler suit, baseball boots or different coloured socks. Another candidate tried to unsettle the interviewer by refusing to take off his

overcoat although it was a sweltering hot day and the interview room was warm. One extremely thin candidate who did manage to turn up in a suit had apparently borrowed it from a friend

several sizes larger. While the men tended to be unconventional or just plain scruffy, the women dressed to kill. Seductive attire reported in the survey included low-cut dresses, see through blouses and party dresses. One woman showed how much she felt at home in the office by finishing off her interview attire with a rather delightful pair of gold slippers. Laddered tights.

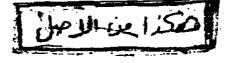
loud and revolting ties, sunglasses and tattoos were cited as pet hates on the interview circuit.

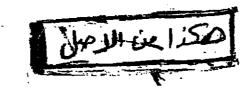
Mr Grout said: "To increase your chances of getting a job at the interview stage, you need to play the interview game and ensure that you are appropriately dressed for the profession and the position.

"In creative environments such as advertising, people can get away with more unconventional dress than within, say, accountancy. However, as the decision to hire is made within the first five minutes of the meeting, possibly before the candidate has spoken, dress and personal presentation are the key to the

decision-making process.

You are likely to score more points in that crucial time by looking smart and professional rather than trying to stand out from the crowd with a style of dress that may be alien and ridiculous to the





Fall in demand for diamonds threatens De Beers payout

FOR the second time in a decade, and only the third time in 48 years, the unthinkable is about to happen: De Beers is poised to cut its 1992 final dividend.

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The diamond group yesterday gave a warning that demand for rough stones sold through its Central Selling Organisation marketing arm is faltering because of depressed world economic con-ditions, and that smuggling of rough diamonds out of Angola has intensified.

De Beers, in a move that emphasises the seriousness of its difficulties, is invoking the deferred purchases clauses in its contracts with its suppliers. From September, the CSO will take 25 per cent less diamonds than it would otherwise have bought. That last

happened in 1981. De Beers units (shares)

which link, as one, the South African and non-South African companies — fell in London, Johannesburg and New York, closing almost £1 lower at 950p, the first fall below the £10 a share level in

nearly two years.

Combined attributable earnings in the six months to end-June fell from \$446 million to \$330 million, and at the equity-accounted level, carnings were down from \$586 million at \$460 million.

The interim dividend is effectively maintained at 25.1 cents a share, but the board says "the current outlook would indicate a significant reduction in the final dividends".

The incidence of weak economies and Angolan smug-gling has led De Beers to reassess the outlook for the immediate future". Sales of

rough diamonds that were \$1.787 billion in the first half of 1992 are likely to fall sharply in the second half. They were \$2.084 billion in the first half of 1991 and \$1.843 billion in the second

Japanese and American re-tail demand, accounting for roughly 60 per cent of total worldwide retail sales, is soft, despite an intensified advertising and marketing campaign launched by De Beers earlier this year. The group's market-ing spend in 1992 is budgeted at \$164 million.

De Beers declined to detail how much it has spent on buying in smuggled rough diamonds known to have come from Angola, but the total incidence of smuggling is estimated at between \$400 million and \$500 million.

It says the increase in the supply of illicit diamonds from Angola has been "dramatic", and group officials have continued to press the Angolan authorities to halt the trade. The World Bank and other agencies giving financial assistance to Angola, in the hope of attracting foreign capital and industries, are also known to be concerned.

There is no indication of De Beers' current stockpile, which it finances. At the end of 1991. the stockpile stood at \$3.03 billion compared with \$2.68 billion at the end of 1990. De Beers has always emphasised its financial strength in being able to fund this stockpile.

However, after weaker in terim profits, and given the uncertain demand outlook. De Beers says the overall result "is likely to be a greater percentage reduction in the full year's combined profits than that recorded in the first half".

De Beers first cut a dividend in 1944 because of the second world war. In March 1982, De Beers again cut its dividend, at that time by half. The investment ramifications of its 1982 action lasted for the rest of the Eighties.

The City fears that group attributable profits could fall 19 per cent this year from \$763 million to \$615 million, and, at the equity-accounted level, that profits could fall 15 per cent from \$1.078 billion to \$915 million. The decision on the final dividend will be taken in March, but day's warning is clear.



General Accident shrinks first-half loss to £21m

By Jonathan Prynn INSURANCE CORRESPONDENT

GENERAL Accident, the composite insurance group based in Perth, has reported its first quarterly profit for two years and has sharply reduced its loss for the first six months of the year.

The results mark a breakthrough for the battered UK insurance sector, which has been devastated by a long succession of big claims payouts that have occurred at a time of highly competitive premium rates. GA's pre-

tax loss for the six months to the end of June was reduced from £105.2 million to £21.2 million, better than most analysts' expectations. The group made a pre-tax profit of £9.5 million (loss of £30.5 million) in the second quarter. The interim dividend is held at 9.7p.

Nelson Robertson, chief general manager, said the results reflected action on the part of the management rather than any real improvement in underlying conditions. He said: "We're not getting carried away just

because we have had one quarter's profit." General premium income rose 5 per

cent to £1.69 billion, partly because of an American acquisition and partly because of increased premium rates. The improvement in the profit performance came largely in the UK, despite a £6 million claim for the cost of April's 1RA bombs. The loss on domestic mortgage indemnity (DMI) business fell from £22.4 million to £17 million. GA has only 4 per cent of the UK's DMI market and has not been

as badly hit by the wave of payouts resulting from house repossessions as

some other big insurance groups.

GA is to ask shareholders for authority to issue up to £300 million of preference shares to accelerate repayment of short and medium-term debt and boost the capital base. The solvency margin at the end of the half year was 37.4 per cent and borrowings had fallen to £610 million (from £724 million) at the year end.

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General Accident

6-MONTHS' RESUL 6 Months 6 Months to 30.6.91 to 30.6.92 Estimated **Estimated General Premiums** 1,690.9 1,617.5 357.0 Life Premiums 190.4 176.1 **Net Investment Income** (216.3)(288.9)**Underwriting Loss** (105.2)Loss before Taxation (21.2)(94.8)Loss attributable to Shareholders (19.7)(4.5p)(21.9p)Earnings per share Dividend per share 9.7p

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- Second quarter pre-tax profit of £9.5m as trend of quarterly improvements continues.
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- Good results in Canada and the Pacific.
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Nelson Robertson, Chief Executive, commented: "Our second quarter profit confirms that the remedial action we have taken is proving effective."

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Administrators sell **PPI Del Monte**

By Angela Mackay

POLLY Peck International's administrators have sold Del Monte Fresh Produce, the group's prime asset, to a Mexican syndicate led by Grupo Cabal

Both parties refused to confirm the sale price, but it is believed to be about \$495 million — \$380 million less than Asil Nadir, Polly Peck's founder and former chairman, paid for the company

almost three years ago. Coopers & Lybrand, the administrators appointed in October 1990, had been hampered in attempts to seal a quick sale by low fresh fruit prices and worldwide recession. Michael Jordan and Richard Stone, the administrators, had considered floating the fresh fruit operations. Brian Hayrox, chief execu-

tive officer of PPI Del Monte. said: "The transaction will provide Del Monte brand fresh prodee operations with additional capital and the long-term support that we have been looking for."

sale price will be used to pay down PPI Dei Monte's bank

GPA looks

at funding

options

trators for distribution. Polly Peck passed into administration with debts of about £1.2 billion after it

pass the cash to the adminis-

suffered a spectacular fall from stock market favour in only a few months. In June 1990, shares were worth 462p but by the time they were suspended three months later, they were

group assets and then was unable to meet the borrowing

they are difficult to value.

The Mexican investor group includes Nacional Financiera, one of Mexico's

trading at only 108p. Mr Nadir's biggest problem was that he paid too much for

commitments. In October 1989, he paid £69 million for a controlling stake in Sansui, the ailing Japanese electrical goods group, and less than a year later paid over the odds for Del Monte Fresh Fruit. Other big assets such as Vestel, the Turkish electronics company, and several businesses in northern Cyprus are more difficult to dispose of because

About \$270 million of the biggest financial institutions with assets of \$38 billion while Carice Cabal has a stake in debt with the balance going to Banco BCH, the country's PPI Holdings BV, which will eighth biggest bank.

First fall since issue for Wellcome shares

By OUR CITY STAFF GPA Group, the world's biggest air leasing group, said it was still considering forms of debt and equity funding op-tions to boost finances after the failure of June's \$3.5 billion stock market float.

Meanwhile, the group's order book, with \$12 billion worth of aircraft due for delivery between now and 2000 and another \$9 billion on option, was being reviewed in consultation with the aeroplane manufacturers.

The group, based in the Republic of Ireland, reported first-quarter to end-June net profits of \$49.1 million compared with \$61.3 million and conceded that further profits growth would be constrained until fundraising was achieved. The first-quarter figure excluded the cost of withdrawing from the flotation. estimated to be about \$20 million, which will be charged in the accounts for the year.



pharmaceuticals group whose share sale raised £2.2 billion in July, fell sharply for the first time since the issue after the stabilisation mechanism put in place to support them was

unexpectedly scaled back. Wellcome shares lost 182p to 782p after Robert Fleming, the global co-ordinator to the issue, reduced the price at



which it would buy shares in

They have traded slightly above the £8 at which they were sold to investors because of the stabilisation programme, under which Fleming was authorised to buy as many as 40.5 million shares on behalf of the Welkome Trust, the charitable foundation which is the biggest shareholder and whose chairman is Roger Gibbs. Fleming is believed to have bought

about half this so far. But yesterday morning, after several large sellers emerged among British insti-unions and in the face of sharply falling stock markets since the issue, Fleming took the view it could no longer support the shares at £8. Ian Hannam of Fleming said the shares would be trading at

775p to 778p.

Fleming has said stabilisation would continue until August 26. Until this week, most

Lawyers' assets are frozen

FROM PHILLIP ROBINSON IN NEW YORK

ONE of the two powerful Washington lawyers charged with taking \$40 million in bribes from the collapsed Bank of Credit and Commerce International, unwit-tingly bounced a cheque to the man who cuts his grass because New York authorities have frozen his assets.

Robert Bennett, the lawyer for defendants Clark Clifford and Robert Altman, claimed the freeze had left them with no money to pay routine bills. Both Mr Clifford, 85 and an adviser to American presidents since the 1940s, and Mr Altman, 45. his protege, have denied all charges

Bennett issued a formal statement claiming: "The [Man-

Office does not simply want to prosecute Messrs Clifford and Altman, it wants to destroy them..." by freezing their personal assets, includ-ing their current and savings

"Doctors' bills and attorney fees cannot be paid," the statement said. "They can't even pay their routine-living

Mr Bennett said the freeze order was made without warning and one of the two men bounced a cheque to the man who cuts his grass. However, a spokesman for the Manhattan Attorney's Office said that it was inaccurate to say all assets had been In what lawyers say is a frozen. He said provisions highly unusual move, Mr had been made to provide for Mr Clifford, Mr Altman and

He said freezing of assets

their families.

was routine in criminal cases which included the possibility of forfeiture to prevent defen-dants from moving money out of the country or putting assets in the name of friends

of relatives. Mr Clifford and Mr Altman are accused of taking \$40 million in bribes from BCCI.

bank regulators.

The prosecution case alleges that in exchange for bribes, Mr Clifford and Mr Altman helped hide the fact that First American Bankshares, Washington's largest bank, was secretly controlled by BCCI, which had been denied approval to practice banking in the US. Its collapse 13 months ago left 115,000 British deposi-

GA insures for a healthy future

BY TRADITION, General Accident is not normally the first of the composite insurers to announce its results. It could not have chosen a better time to set a precedent. The first half figures were better than expected, pushing the shares ahead 8p to 398p, but it was the splash of black on the bottom line of the second quarter figures that caught the eye. The £9.5 million pretax profit for the three month period was the first for more than two years from one of the healthier representatives of a sickly sector. It is even possible that the company might report a small surplus for the whole year, come March. The interim dividend was held at

The improvement is partly the result of serious cost pruning and partly due to tough premium rate increases at last beginning to stick. There is also an element of historic good fortune in-volved. GA only ever had a very small share of the UK domestic mortgage indemnity market, a fact that yesterday allowed it to make pessimistic comments about the outlook for future DMI losses, knowing that it is really somebody else's problem. The improvement in the overall performance came mainly from a sharp reduction in UK underwriting losses from £178.4 million to £104.8 million for the half year. Most of the group's other geographical markets also saw a pick-up with the glaring exception of France, where the Auld Alliance has never done this Scottish company any

The question for shareholders is whether GA can continue to hold its dividend, thereby securing the generous 9 per cent yield, even if, as seems likely, it will remain uncovered for another year and a half at least. The group has given itself the option of adding a further ten points to its solvency margin through an issue of preference shares, and a rising stock market would do wonders for the asset base. However, there is a nagging feeling in the market that GA is over dis-



On schedule for full-year profits of £400m: Sir Colin Marshall, chief executive of British Airways

tributing, making the shares, currently standing at a 10 per cent premium to net assets, look vulnerable. Commercial Union, which has also avoided the DMI quagmire, looks a

Saatchi & Saatchi

ROBERT Louis-Dreyfus, the Saatchi & Saatchi chief executive, admits that the glory days when the group could rely on operating margins of 15 per cent will probably

But he is clearly making strong progress in moving towards the target figure of 10 per cent he is hoping for by the end of 1994, which would see the group, on a cautious forecast of flat revenues until then, back to trading profits of £70 million a year.

Saatchi shares jumped 4p to 135p on news of better than expected interim figures. despite a statement from M Louis-Dreyfus that seemed designed to talk the market down from any return of enthusiasm. Pre-tax profits of £11.1 million for the half-year to end-June contrasted with a restated loss of £32 million last time, but the chief executive says prospects for in-

creasing revenues are poor. In that environment, enhancement of margins is the only way forward, and at the operating level they advanced from 3 per cent to 5.5 per cent, helped by a sharp reduction in severance costs.

Debt is under control, having seen no advance from the December level of £211 million at end-June during a period when seasonal factors would suggest an increase. Saatchi was left with an attributable loss because accounting changes on goodwill on disposals forced a £9.4 million extraordinary item.

Lorna Tilbian, at Warburg Securities, has upgraded her pre-tax forecast by £4 million to £21.5 million for this year. By 1994 the figure should be £57.6 million, she expects, which starts to produce a meaningful price earnings miltiple of 8.4. The shares are strongly underpinned by the progress achieved so far.

British Airways

BRITISH Airways, where Sir Colin Marshall is chief executive, is doing well, it seems, to be economising at a faster rate than its passengers.

Demand for aircraft seats has rekindled strongly since the Gulf war, but the punters are not prepared to pay to sit in the luxury part of the plane any more, which is the prime reason for a 6.5 per cent decline in passenger yield in the first three months of the current financial year.

Lord King is right not to be too gloomy. Not only has BA detected some strengthening in premium traffic since the beginning of July, but more importantly the group is approaching the halfway point in its ambitious three-year cost-cutting programme, in

was something of a surprise in the 1.6 per cent fall in fuel costs, while a further 6.7 per cent reduction in the workforce allowed the group to pay its retained staff an average of 7.2 per cent more, and still improve productivity 22 per cent. The £150 million of savings targetted for the current year begin to look

achievable. Overail, net cash flow was lower by a third, but remained positive, at £93 million, helping shrink group gearing by five points to 37 per cent.

Until there is some let-up in recessionary pressures, it is hard to see an improvement in the yield, but the increasing load factors confirm that BA remains on schedule for fullyear profits of £400 million. On most market criteria the shares, selling for less than 7 years' earnings at 254p, re-main undervalued. BA's proven capability of coping with difficulties cannot completely erase deep-seated anxieties over the industry's suscepti-

Profit and payout reduced at Rexmore

BY RODNEY HOBSON

REXMORE, the timber and textiles group, is cutting its dividend after a profit fall in the year to March 28. Although turnover rose from £43.3 million to £44.8 million. pre-tax profits dropped from just above £1 million to 1931,000. The reduced final dividend of 1.05p makes a total of 1.75p, compared with 2.25p last time. The final dividend will be payable on October 7. Earnings per share fell to 4.36p (4.75p).

The main problem has been

in timber, hit doubly hard by the lack of activity in the furniture and building trades. Abraham Rosenblatt, the chairman, says the Letherens subsidiary made large losses despite the earlier disposal of businesses in Bootle, Mersey-side, and Knutsford, Chesture. Since the year end, the decision has been taken to withdraw from the remaining Merseyside business.

Mr Rosenblatt added: "One site and most of the stock have been sold and the trading losses of this operation have been eliminated. The costs of withdrawal have been greater than expected owing to the difficulty in disposing of surplus stocks against a background of a major reduction of building activity in the North

He said the completion of the withdrawal would result in a further reduction in group borrowings. The remaining timber operations experienced reduced activity and record bad debts.

Contract furnishing, in contrast, produced record profits of £1.8 million, up from £1.4 million in the previous 12 months, even though the high level of activity at the start of the financial year did not continue to the end of the

Mr Rosenblatt said: The trading outlook continues to be difficult. The markets we to the recession and high real interest rates continue to be a burden to the company and its

Tokyo ends below key support level

sank below a key support level. but the drop caused little reaction in other Asian financial markets. The Nikkei index felt 243.78 points, or 1.62 per cent, to 14,822.56, closing below 15,000 for the first time since March 25, 1986. It is now 62 per cent below its December, 1989 peak. While most investors re-

mained inactive without any fresh factors on which to trade and with the summer holiday season- at its height, smallscale sales of some popular shares put pressure on prices.
Paul Migliorato, of Jardine
Fleming, said: "People have
started assuming the next level

of support is significantly low-er. Nobody's staying around to keep their fingers in the dike." But the breaching of the support line caused little reaction since the Nikkei index had spent most of Monday

below that level.
Selling related to margin calls and program trading was the immediate cause of weakness, but analysts said that pessimism about the economy and company profits lay be-hind the market's malaise.

Craig Chudler, of UBS Phillips & Drew, said: "The key is that good value, whether in terms of earnings, yield, assets, or encouragement about future earnings, is not there." While investors hope that the government's economic

Tokyo - The stock market package, promised for the end of this month, will boost the economy and shares, they shrugged off official encouragement on Tuesday as just lip-service One broker said that investors had little confidence in the government "and don't want to buy without a bettom in sight".

Dealings in the currency market were relatively re-strained. Toshiyuki Takamatsu, a senior dealer at Swiss Bank Corporation in Tokyo. said: "There was some dollar buying when stocks broke 15,000, but exporter sales above 128 yen and fears of intervention dented a further rise." The dollar ended in Tokyo at 127.91 yen and

1.4652 marks. Chong Kong — Shares fin-ished with moderate gains in light trading, helped by a return to premium among index futures. The Hang Seng index advanced 18.81 points to 5,886.75, while the broader All-Ordinaries index gained 10.70 to 3.164.14. Turnover improved slightly to HK\$1.83 billion (£123 million) from Monday's HK\$1.69 billion. Nelson Li, a dealer at Pierson Securities, said the upturn was due more to the drying up of selling and the slight lift from futures than to a fundamental improvement in sentiment. He said: "The summer doldrums are upon us and it may

Bonds lift New York

New York - Shares held on to a slight advantage in early trading as higher bond prices and Monday's encouraging close offset declines in foreign markets. The Dow Jones industrial average edged up by 1.42 points to 3,339 after reaching 3,342.

☐ Frankfurt — Prices turn-

bled lower again, dropping 1.1 per cent through a key support level to their weakest close in eight months. A delayed reaction to poor German economic indicators last week was one reason for the drop. The Dax index dropped 17.95 points to 1.564.60, the

27. The Dax has now fallen for three consecutive sessions and has lost 11.4 per cent since July 6.

lower after the local dollar fell through a key support level. points down at 1,587.6. ☐ Singapore — Shares fell

sharply, with the key market index hitting the lowest level in four months on selling across the board. The Straits Times industrial index dropped 31.68 points from Friday to 1.392.91. Monday was a holiday here.

STOCK MARKET

Bargain hunters help to trim the losses

ing ran all the way through to Tuesday evening with sellers continuing in the same gloomy frame of mind as they had started the account on Monday. The FT-SE 100 index was soon 30 points adrift again, unsettled by its failure to close on Monday above the chartists 2,348 support level and by the Nikkei's decline below 15,000 points in overnight trading in Tokyo.

The FT-SE 100 slipped below 2,300 before reaching the bottom at 2,294.7. Bargain hunters moved in to trim the fall to 16.1 points at 2.309.6, making a two-day loss of 40 points. The volume of 562.6 mil-

lion shares, although not mas-sive, was at least better than on Monday. The 362.2 million shares traded by 1pm were more than the total shares traded for the previous day. What was worrying for the bulls was that turnover was greatest when the index was falling and the recovery, which had petered out well before the market close, was on thin

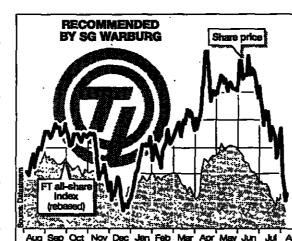
Food manufacturers and retailers suffered some of the heaviest selling, with James Capel, the broker, downgrading Northern Foods, off

broker, UBS Phillips & Drew, downgrading AB Foods, 7p lower at 386p. BZW downgraded United Biscuits, which fell 12p to 300p, as well as AB Foods and the food manufacturers in general because of difficult trading conditions. Other food shares to suffer

included Dalgety, down 11p to 397p, Hillsdown, 3p weaker at 129p, RHM, losing 4p at 168p and Unilever, 6p cheaper at 942p. Only Cadbury Schweppes bucked the trend with a 4p gain to 462p. Food retailers were lumped into the same basket, with J Sainsbury marked down 7p to 436p, William Low 12p to 170p, Iceland 8p to 498p, Shop-right 15p to 512p and Morrison 3p to 118p.

But, if consumers cut back, they may switch to the pile-ithigh-and-sell-it-cheap specialists. Kwik Save shot up 15p to

WH Smith's A shares were 4p up at 389p, bucking the trend of a weaker market, as mild buying emerged before the group's full-year results on August 26. Smith is attracting some safe-haven buying before what are expected to be a solid set of results. One stores analyst said: "They could pay a fairly chunky dividend."
Other companies due to



report soon were not so lucky. BICC, with interims next Tuesday, gave up 6p to 239p, while Glynwed, reporting tomorrow, lost 5p to 183p.

Geoffrey Stone, the finance director of Owners Abroad. Britain's second- largest tour operator, was baffled by reports that travel firms were

The problems facing all UK banks will hit Bank of Scotland hard, according to Martin Hughes at Credit Lyonnais Laing. He has cut his forecast for the year to next February to £135 million from £177 million previously, well below the general consensus among analysts. The shares fell 2p to 100p.

Although a miserable reporting season has been discounted by recent falls in the market, investors are still nervous about being locked in before possible nasty surprises.

offering price cuts. Mr Stone said: There is no heavy discounting in the high season." He saw the situation as "encouraging" and was as

"baffled as anyone else" at the

company's 7p fall to 62p in the morning on top of Monday's to follow the rest downwards. 4p decline. He managed to talk the shares back up to 66p a loss on the day of 3p. Airtours also came off the

bottom to close at 15p, down 5p, but there was no such fun for Eurocamp, 13p lower at 275p, or Euro Disney, with a 15p drop to 905p after being 10p ahead. Among other leisure shares, Thorn EMI recovered part of

Monday's loss by closing 8p ahead at 704p, but Rank Organisation gave up 7p at

Mark Finnie, an analyst at County NatWest, sees little hope of hotels and leisure shares moving ahead strongly before the interim results season next month. But he makes an exception for Ladbroke.

down 2p to 154p.

Manders, the paint group, shed 22p to 213p in early trading as stock on offer in the market was left unsold, dealers said. However, that did not help Kalon, which has made a final 17-for-six share offer for Manders. Kalon fell 72p to 82p, valuing Manders at

SG Warburg has recommended TI, the engineering group, pushing the shares up 5p to 266p. TI easily outperformed the market in the first

But, over the past couple of months, it has plummeted from 370p. Now Warburg says the fall has gone far enough.

The uncertain outlook for the motor industry cost GKN 6p to 360p and Lucas 3p to 102p among components suppliers. Motor distributors saw falls of 7p to 211p in Pendragon and of 4p in Quicks and T Cowie to 119p and 115p respectively.

The share price of London Overseas Freighters steadied after the tanker company said that it knew no reason for the 13p drop on Monday. The price lost a further 3p in the morning, but pulled back to close 3p to the good at 54p. The company, which is based in London, said it had nothing to add to its statement on July 30 that it was changing its domicile to Bermuda.

BM Group poured cold water on vague talk in the market that a bid might be forthcoming for the construction equipment and building products company. The shares gained 17p to 100p, helped by analysts' buy notes and a shortage of stock in the market.

RODNEY HOBSON

BRITISH FUNDS

CONFIDENCE in gilts was pound but government stocks were able to halve their losses in the afternoon when concerted central bank intervention gave temporary support to the ket. Falls of half a point for gilts were cut as buyers were drawn out of the woodwork. John Shepperd, economist

at SG Warburg, said: "If the dollar rallies, it is seen as good news for the government and although so far it has proved fairly ineffective."

Better news on the inflation front, with the rise in factory gate prices at its lowest for 24 years, encouraged modest buying, mostly from domestic investors.

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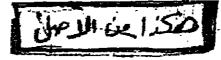
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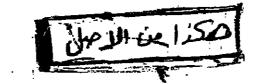
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BT's price cap is a tight fit

B T has given its grudging acceptance to the toughest regulatory regime in Europe. Its price-capping formula of RPI minus 72 per cent is more restrictive than even that in force in highinflation Italy and looks punitive in comparison with the RPI minus 3 per cent enforced on the French telecommunications network. BT huffed and puffed but in the final analysis preferred to live with the new regime demanded by Offel, its regulator, rather than submit to the protracted agonies of a full-blown investigation by the Monopolies and Mergers Commission. This can only be taken to imply that BT. believes it can live with Oftel's demands and still meet the company's obligations to customers and shareholders. Otherwise the board would have been duty bound to insist on a visit to the MMC.

There is, however, a substantial point in BT's objection that Oftel's new price cap marks a shift towards more interventionist regulation. BT might have added, but did not, that had the BT prospectus mentioned such dracomian measures, the initial and subsequent government offer of shares in the company might have been regarded in a different light. What BT and its long term investors need now arises from the uncertainty created by this turn of the regulatory screw. It is a government declaration of its longer-term objectives in diverting market share away from BT. There is general acceptance that creating a private sector monopoly out of a stateowned one was not an ideal route to privatisation. But will the regulator ease up when BT's market share reaches 80 per cent, or 50 per cent, or even less? BT's acquiescence yesterday to a 4 year price cap implies that there is no great urgency. But the question has to be addressed in due course.

For the moment though, BT shareholders can look forward with some confidence to the future. The company has strong cash flow and thus dividend paying capacity plus great scope for further cost

Policy dilemma

The slowest rise in factory gate prices for a generation certainly offers a sign, if yet another were needed, that the economy is deep in recession. Neither this nor the CBI's latest data on pay settlements prove that cost inflation has been eliminated. Fuel and raw material prices have mostly been falling, on an annual basis, since April 1990. Adding this back, producer prices would have risen over the past year at a similar rate to retail prices, which are expected to show inflation of about 4.1 per cent when the next figures are released on Friday. Unit labour costs in manufacturing have still

been rising through recession. The CBI and its allies are surely right, however, to argue that the recession has done all it can to curb. cost inflation. It is, therefore, pointless to continue to focus policy on anti-inflationary measures, which will merely squeeze profits and investment. This is a good debating point. Few seriously believe, however, that the government's policy has reducing inflation as its goal. It is the prisoner of decisions taken when sterling was put into the European exchange rate mechanism in 1990, when a move intended to deflationary measure, since set in concrete by pressures on the unified German economy.

Sadly, the CBI's members have yet to demonstrate that the economy could cope with anything better than the painfully slow recovery, from a lower base, that can now be expected. There is little sign that Britain can become so competitive that its economy. can afford to grow noticeably faster than its rivals. The transfer of jobs from Britain to the continent must, therefore, be regarded as permanent.

Credit card holders left waiting as new system was found wanting

Lindsay Cook explains why thousands of card users have experienced

problems in shops,

restaurants and hotels in the past few weeks

here is one thing worse than being overcharged for most credit and charge card cus-tomers and that is being told their credit limit has run out when they know that they have hundreds if not thousands of pounds

This uncomfortable experience has been happening to credit and charge card holders since July 17. That was when the massed cardholders of National Westminster, Midland, Lloyds, Royal Bank of Scotland and some smaller card issuers were transferred from one computer system to another.

The ensuing problems have caused red faces among computer specialisis and great embarrassment for customers when their profesred card has been turned down at the end of a meal or in a smart shop. No authorisation — no sale.

Thousands more have been charged too much in interest and other charges or have found difficulty in tracing purchases on statements because the wrong dates have been

National Westminster, the most seriously affected card provider, has already written to its 250,000 gold card customers telling them that they may have been overcharged and plans to include a statement with August bills of ordinary credit cards saying that transactions dates may have gone awry. Other card issuers have also experienced up to 100 problems each.

These are the result of the accounts and customer details of 10 million customers being transferred from an old and cumbersome computer sys-tern to a new one developed and used in America.

The problems are now over but it will take the credit card industry some time to settle jangling nerves of customers whose cards have been gobbled up by machines or whose creditworthiness has been called into question by Saturday staff in their favourite shop.

The new First Data Resources software is intended to give customers more choice and better information. In addition, it has the virtue to the banks of being cheaper and it frees up internal computer time for more incrative business.

pened in three main ways. On the first weekend, the First Data Resources system did not have sufficient capacity to deal with the amount of business generated by 14 million credit card users. People who were on holiday

abroad or others spending in the local high street found that their cards were refused because the retailer could not get an answer from the card issuer's authorisation telephone



Inflexible friend: many cardholders were embarrassed to be told that their credit limit had run out

number. The traders could not risk sanctioning large transactions, such as hotel bills, without authorisation in case the card was stolen. Without an authorisation number, it is the retailer who foots the bill, not the credit card company.

Second, problems occurred over a longer period to only one or two of the banks using the new software. The system failed to match authorisations with purchases. This meant that customers reached their

credit limit doubly fast. When an authorisation is given, this is deducted from the money available on the Then when the actual

transaction reaches the account either electronically or by paper voucher the purchase and the authorisation and

identify them as the same event. The authorisation and transaction were not always matched with the new system, causing problems for big spenders and those cardholders running close to the credit limit on their CATU

Third, some customers who pay by direct debit found that the money was not taken from their bank account and, therefore, they went over their

credit limit when they continued spending. The problems were also exacerbated by the tactics that banks are using to fight fraud. This exceeded £160 million last year. Floor limits in shops, therefore, have been universally lowered.

Stores that used to be able to go ahead with credit card transactions without authorisation for purchases of up to say £150 might now have to

telephone to seek authorisation for Without an authorisation number, it is the retailer

the credit card company purchases of more than £75. This means that sales assistants now have to make more authorisation calls and there was, therefore, more opportunity for doubling up on accounts until the problem was discovered and

who foots the bill, not

Ian Lindsey, banking director at Save & Prosper, estimates that up to 100 of its customers had problems. Most of its credit card operation is not sub-contracted to First Data Resources and, from his experience, he expects that probably 10,000 out of the 14 million customers who were transferred had problems of some

Most of these would have been charges caused by a processing backlog. This meant that cheques arrived with the credit card companies on time but did not reach the account and interest was charged. In the case of gold charge cards, which

should be paid in full at the end of the month, a late payment charge might also have been levied. As early as February, the

banks began preparing for the changeover. With an average of 2.07 million credit card transactions a day, they knew there was plenty of scope for errors. First in the firing line at Lloyds were

200 staff whose cards were moved in This threw up a few problems, mainly with the cardholder's addresses, which were not being properly transferred. Then in June, 40,000 customers whose cards were due for renewal were moved over to the new

system. They were not told that they

were a pilot scheme for the 2 million plus other Lloyds card users and there were no difficulties so they will never

Since the changeover, about 40 Lloyds gold card users have had too much taken from their bank accounts in the form of direct debits. The glitch was discovered the next day and the money restored. All the customers were sent letters of apology.

Lloyds is set to announce the improvements to their card services but feels that the publicity about problems at National Westminster and other banks is overshadowing

Gold card holders will be able to pay their accounts in full by direct debit. Lloyds Access and Visa credit cards will be able to pay the minimum due by direct debit. Gold card customers will be able to choose a statement date.

All customers will also be able to make enquiries more easily as account details will be able to be called up on screen by Lloyds' staff for the first time.

Midland has also had some minor

problems. "It does not appear to be very widespread and it involves occasional delays in credits reaching the accounts. Where we have identified it we have sent a letter to the customer." the bank said.

The Royal Bank of Scotland puts the total number of its errors at about

At Bardays, which has 8.7 million cards, there have been no problems because the bank has always undertaken its own processing. The bank, which has handled 153 million credit card transactions involving £6 billion of turnover so far this year, is also spending £17 million on improving its computer technology this year.

It introduced a new system to speed up the processing of queries at the beginning of the year. This allows customer service staff not only to look up the details of an account but also to authorise changes to it immediate-. In this way, a new credit limit can granted immediately.

ob Potts, managing director, Barclaycard, said: "It cuts down on errors because one person deals with it immediately and because it is highly automated.

The telephones have also been improved so that a screen tells the customer services department how many calls are waiting. Staff can be transferred to clear any backlog. Liz Phillips, director of the Credit

Card Research Group, said: "All credit card customers should check their statements. The teething problems did not affect all the credit card issuers and now appears to be historical. Those customers who were charged wrongly have been contacted."

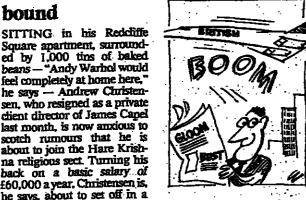
The disastrous publicity for credit cards could not have come at a worse time for the industry. The number of cardholders is falling, as is the amount they are spending, yet bad debts are increasing. Banks are now writing off £6 for every £100 spent on credit cards.

A business that was hugely profitable in the seventies and early eighties is now only covering its increasing costs because the banks have widened their margins.

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Romania bound

ed by 1,000 tins of baked beans - "Andy Warhol would feel completely at home here," he says — Andrew Christensen, who resigned as a private client director of James Capel last month, is now anxious to scotch rumours that he is about to join the Hare Krishna religious sect. Turning his back on a basic salary of £60,000 a year. Christensen is, he says, about to set off in a truck bound for Romania where he will spend up to three months helping to build an orphanage. I have been hugely well remunerated for the past few years, financially I'm quite secure now, and I have decided that the time has come to do something more constructive with my life," Christensen, 34, and a bache-lor, explains: "But I'm now hearing back from some of my friends in the City that James Capel thinks I have gone off my rocker and that I'm joining Hare Krishna. It's completely untrue and since I might want to return to the City when I get back it's important that I put the record straight." Following these as-surances, Christensen is hopeful that former colleagues and clients might now see fit to donate yet more tins of baked beans, toys or any other merchandise appropriate to his mission to Romania. "I might as well fill up the truck I'll be travelling in and I will be leaving at the end of this month. Christensen says optimistically.



Cash from crisis

COMMERCIAL Union, the insurance group, has found a way of making money out of a crisis. Its risk management arm is holding a conference on how businesses can cope if they suridenly lose their headquarters. Commercial Union should know how to do this because its building in the City was devastated by the IRA bomb in April. It is charging £190 a head for senior managers of other companies to attend the Sedgwick Centre at Aldgate on September 8 to learn, from Commercial Union's experience, how to cope. Among other topics included in the conference -and one which, one trusts, has not similarly afflicted Com-mercial Union — will be tuition in how to handle journalists who have discovered that a top executive has been involved in a scandal.

Radio control

FANS of The Archers, the long-running radio saga of a

Midlands community, will already be familiar with the fictional activities of Cameron Fraser. Fraser, billed as "a wealthy Scottish entrepreneur", took the community of Ambridge by storm after purchasing the local estate. It later emerged that he faced bank-ruptcy proceedings north of the border and had, in true entrepeneurial style, skipped the country, taking with him the savings of some of his neighbours. To ensure the accuracy of their plot, the pro-gramme's researchers made extensive enquiries about Scottish bankruptcy proceedings at the Glasgow office of Cork Gully where Douglas Anderson, a senior manager specialising in personal insolvency. was happy to recite the appro-priate law chapter and verse. It was one of my more unusual assignments," says Anderson, who claims to be a fan of

Counting time

WHEN is 48 hours the same as 240 hours? When it is part of a promise made by British Telecom. A colleague who re-ported a malfunctioning telephone and then, five days later, requested compensation pointing out her entitle-ment in keeping with the com-pany's pledge to repair tele-phones within 48 hours or pay compensation — was informed by a supervisor that the exact wording on the back of its service contract was 48 working hours" — i.e. up to ten days, if reported on a Satorday, and not 48 hours as in two days.

CAROL LEONARD resealed and this will take a

Extend tax breaks to education and health care From Mr Ronald Forrest Budget to reduce dependency ment expenditure. There

Sir, Mr Douglas McBean in business letters (August 5) states that "the urgent task for government must be to encourage those who are able and willing to do so to reduce their dependency on the

This is surely a basic Conservative principle but one which the government now seems to be doing little to implement. There are two obvious fields

in which the government could begin as early as the next

on the state. Tax allowances could be granted for those people who relieve the exchequer of expenditure on health and

In effect, by using private health care or the private

education system one is at present obliged to pay twice for these services, so instead of there being an incentive to be independent of the state there is, on the contrary, a penalty for helping to reduce govern-

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should be a programme to phase in fiscal encouragement of self sufficiency by extending the tax allowance for private medical insurance now given only to persons over 60 and by making fees for private education at least in part tax deductible. Yours faithfully. RONALD FORREST,

Delfryn, Castle Morris, Haverfordwest, Pembrokeshire.

Cutting savings rates prolongs recession When are the powers that be

From Mrs Joan Seed Sir. As a widowed pensioner I agree wholeheartedly with the views of Valerie Goldberg (Business Letters, The Times,

Angust 6).
After paying ever-increasing basic living costs for gas, electricity, telephone, water, and so on, from an annually decreasing income, there is little, if anything, left over to spend to help the economy to recover from the present recession.

ponding saver's reduction in spending power? Sadly, our modest contribu-tions to charity must also be reduced. Yours faithfully,

JOAN SEED, 41 Clothorn Road, Didsbury. Manchester. Greater Manchester.

Long delay in realising HK investments

Sir, My uncle died a few months ago, and I am one of the executors of his estate, which consisted almost entirely of his house, furniture, etc. and investments.

All the investments were quoted on the Stock Exchange and nearly all have been However, some were regis-

tered in Hong Kong. We have now heard from the solicitors in Hong Kong that the estate duty there will take about four to six months.

further six to nine months! The total process will take, therefore, ten to fifteen

Of the shares already realised, several were in foreign companies. How is it that there can be such an unrea-sonable delay in dealing with shares in companies in a British colony?

Perhaps the matter will be settled before Hong Kong reverts to China! Yours faithfully, J.B.W.TURNER 46 Ancastle Green. Henley-on-Thames,

Computer-led recovery

From Mr M. Richardson Bunbury Sir. May the recession have bottomed out already? For

four years I have worked as a

freelance on computer projects for clients in various indus-tries. After three good years, the last 12 months have provided only five weeks' work, so I have been hit as hard as anyone. I now see that magazines specialising in advertisements for freelance computer people have put on weight again. The number of vacancies advertised has grown in the last couple of months.

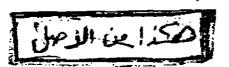
This might be a blip; but more significant is the number of advertisements for permanent staff for agencies that provide clients with people like me. Clearly the agencies have confidence in a continuing upturn. This is only a small sector of the economy; but because most industries depend on computers, it may point to the early days of a general revival not apparent to macro-economic soothsayers. Yours faithfully, MICHAEL RICHARDSON-BUNBURY.

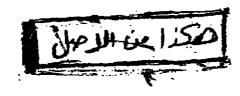
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Lenders' optimism wanes

ard as they look, lend-ers to the property market cannot see recovery in sight, and many now expect either no change or a decline in the market for at least another year. This assessment emerges from the latest property lending confidence barometer compiled by Chesterton Financial and the magazine Chartered Surveyor Weekly and provides further evidence that an end to recession is still some way off.

The most positive consensus is that the market is bumping along the bottom, but pessimists outnumber optimists among the 58 banks and financial institutions questioned in July. Previous optimism about recovery has wanted and fewer than half (48 per cent) now expect an improvement in the market in the next 12 months. down from 55 per cent in January and 70 per cent a year ago. The number believing the market would worsen remained static at 5 per cent, with the balance (47 per cent) indicating that they expected no change.

In the shorter term, 69 per cent of the respondents predict no change in the market in the next six months, compared with 14 per cent who anticipate some improvement.

The survey provides a picture of the uncertainty facing struggling property companies, with 69 per cent of the lending institutions expecting the upward trend in receiverships to continue over the Many banks see no hope of an upturn in the property market within the next year. Christopher Warman reports

next six months. In the longer term, the institutions are generally more optimistic. Just under one third (29 per cent) believe the rate of receiverships will increase over the next 12 months compared with half in January, while 16 per cent anticipate a decrease. "If these forecasts are correct, the coming six months will prove a critical period for unhealthy property companies."

the report says. The survey indicates greater acceptance by lenders that there is no short-term solution to the property market slump. Debt-to-equity swaps are increasing as a method of coping with difficult loans, allowing the lender more control of the level of bad debt provisions by taking an equity share.

Since January the average bad debt provision has increased dramatically, from nearly 3 per cent to 7.5 per cent of the total property loan book. Over the next six months, 69 per cent of lenders foresee a further rise in bad debt provision and only 5 per cent anticipate a fall, an increase in the proportion of pessimists from 58 per cent in January to 64 per cent.

In response to market conditions, lenders have had to revise their locational preferences for property lending. The South-East has fallen further out of favour since January when it was second in the regional table to the West Midlands. It now occupies fourth place behind the West Midlands, the North-West and the East Midlands.

The West Midlands bas consolidated its position as the most favoured lending location, with over one third of the respondents

The coming six months could be critical for struggling companies'

placing it in the first three. East Anglia and Wales remain the least attractive regions.

Reflecting the volatility of the market, industrial property is no longer the institutions' preferred sector for lending. In January it was the top preference, with 37 per cent, but has now dropped to 29 per cent as retail property has increased from 27 per cent to 47 per cent. Offices are preferred by 21 per cent, down from 25 per cent, a reflection of the impact that over supply has had on lenders' perceptions. Mike Riley, managing director of Ches-terton Financial, said that the lenders' lack of confidence made it difficult to forecast when the property market was likely to improve. "More specifically, lenders at long last appear to acknowledge that, compared to the South-East, the Midlands and the North-West have generally been less affected by the collapse in property market values and are better placed to

benefit from any recovery."

He regarded the rise in bad debt provisions as a positive sign, dem-onstrating that lenders had come to terms with the size of the problem. "More significantly their ability to write off bad debts is important as it helps to speed up recovery in the property sector, enabling property to be sold at realistic prices and some activity to begin. It also allows lendings to return to their usual business of lending money rather than fire-fighting. A healthy banking industry is good news for the

property market."

The extent of the slump in the property market is shown by Debenham Tewson Research, the property consultants, in its report Money into Property that high-lights the continuing contraction of funds being put into commercial property from a peak of £14 billion in 1989 to a present level of less than £4 billion

The late 1980s surge in market liquidity was strongly pushed by bank lending which has now been replaced by net repayments. The report suggests that while institutional equity investment is rising the banks will continue a policy of repayment and refinancing of existing debt for some time to come. Low inflation, high real interest rates and the lack of economic growth will, in the short term, inevitably influence investment selection and lending criteria.

healthy recovery in net investment by the institutions was recorded in 1991 as they accounted for £2 billion of net property investment. This trend continued in the first half of 1992, due in part to "bargain hunting" by fund managers. Sales by the institutions have been cut substantially over the past two years in response to the fall in property values and an unwill-ingness to dispose of property at depressed prices. This may well mean that in the short term net institutional property investment continues its buoyant trend.

Debenham Tewson suggests.
Although purchases of UK property by overseas investors are at a lower level than in the 1988-90 period, there has been a significant improvement in demand among

buying the freehold now could mean a substantial reduction in

Owning the freehold of a proper-

ty also means that the occupier can invest in the property, whether it is

fitting out a kitchen or building

specialist facilities such as a labora-

tory. While such additions have a

clear benefit for the freehold occupi-

er, they may not have for the

leaseholder. Leases often include

reinstatement clauses, involving the

occupier in the costly restoration

of the building to its original

Some companies may feel it is in-

appropriate to tie up so much capital in bricks and mortar, but if

companies are worried about future liquidity difficulties, buying now may create future opportuni-ties to reap the rewards of capital

gains through sale and leaseback, and provide a substantial asset in

the balance sheet, the St Quentin

Others may feel that the time is

future overheads."

MARKET MOVES

The newly-completed offices at St John's Place, High Wycombe

Victorian splendour -

ST JOHN'S Place, High Wycombe, the town centre's only large new office scheme, has been completed by the developer Glaston Spen Hill. The building, in a conservation area, is on the site of the old grammar school and retains its Victorian façade. The building provides about 25,500 sq ft of air-conditioned offices and is available in units from 9,000 sq ft. A rent of about £24 a sq ft is being sought by joint agents
Debenham Tewson & Chinnocks and Brian Cooper
& Co.

Butlers Wharf deal THE Butlers Wharf building near Tower Bridge, in east London, part of the Terence Conran development that went into receivership, has been sold for over £20 million to the Danish pension fund Kommunernes Pensionsforsikring A/S of Copenhagen. The building is the largest of the converted Victorian warehouses on the 11acre site, and comprises a mix of 88 apartments, retail, restaurant and commercial space. This is the first big capital transaction of what is anticipated to be a series of disposals on the Butlers Wharf site. Nigel Hamilton, the joint administrative receiver, said that the deal provided an unqualified statement of confidence in the Butlers Wharf

Work under way

THE developer Wilson Connolly has secured a deal with Pergamon Press to build its new headquarters at Oxford Spires Business Park, Kidlington, near Oxford, for about £15 million. The 105,000 sq ft office building has detailed has started on site. The new headquarters, for which Pergamon has acquired the freehold, is to be the UK centre of operations for Eisevier UK Holdings, housing Pergamon Press and some departments of Elsevier Science Publishers UK.

Pergamon Press, a leading scientific, technical and medical literature publisher, was acquired by Elsevier NV last Kir

Seychelles sale

THE spectacular Mahe Beach Hotel, standing on the west coast of the main island of Mahé in the Seychelles, is for sale through Jones Lang Wootton International Hotels on behalf of the Seychelles governmentowned company Cosproh. Presently managed by Sheraton, the company has decided to dispose of the hotel as part of a largescale reorganisation of its assets. The hotel, with an ocean frontage, overlooks Therese Island and the Port Launay marine national park.

Hackett flagship

HACKETT, the men's outlitter and a subsidiary of Dunhill Holdings, has taken space at the newly completed redevelopment by the Cadogan Estate of 136-140 Sloane Street, central London. The scheme involved the refurbishment of the Grade II listed No 139 while the rest were redeveloped behind re-tained facades. Hackett has taken a 20-year lease at £235,000 a year on 5,600 sq ft, which is being fitted out to open in the autumn as its London flagship store. Part of the scheme has been prelet to the agent Savills.

Museum signs up CENTRAL London's first mo-

tor museum since the nineteenth century will be housed at Trafalgar Place, a development off Trafalgar Square, by the Swedish group Skandia. Motor Car Museum Ltd has agreed to take 25,000 sq ft on the lower three floors of the building in Pall Mail East at close to the asking rent of £29.50 a sq ft. The 15-year lease has an 18-month rent-free period. The museum tion of 60 vintage, classic and racing cars. A planning applica-tion has been submitted to Westminster council for a change of use, and the museum is expected to open next spring.

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Discover the joys of being a freeholder

Some companies will see the sense in casting off the shackles of a lease

earl Assurance has opened its new £100 million headquarters in Peterborough after moving from its long-time offices in Holborn, central London. The 400,000 sq ft development was built by Wimpey Construction's Midlands region. Almost a third of the cost went into technology and services. Christopher Warman writes.

The move is in line with the latest advice from the property consultancy St Quintin: buy your freehold. Such advice might seem odd at a time when office rental levels have plummeted to tilt the balance firmly from landlord to tenants. giving them bargains both in rents and leases, but Michael Brodtman. Bruce Hibbert of St Quintin business space department believe their reasoning is sound.

In their report, they say that escalating rents in the mid-1980s and a relatively lax planning environment spawned a commercial building surge, as it became highly profitable to build, and to a high



Freehold asset: Pearl Assurance's new £100 million headquarters in Peterborough

specification. "So we now have a vast number of beautiful buildings at rock bottom prices," they say. Although supply and demand relationships vary throughout the UK, capital values have lost at least 20 per cent and in a few cases up to 50 per cent in the past four years. A building of 50,000 square

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feet which then cost £16 million might cost only £8 million

The authors question, however, the likelihood of property accelerating in value. "It is unlikely that commercial property will rise to the dizzy heights of the late 1980s, but given steady economic growth in the short to medium term, we can assume the capital value of the property will grow as investment yields harden. As well as capital appreciation, property purchase will sidestep future rent increases. Rents may not have bottomed out yet but they will certainly climb back up in the medium term, and

not right because the market could fall further. The St Quintin team believes it is unlikely to drop much and that within five years rental levels and capital values will have made a respectable come-back. "Purchase is not a universal panacea. But for those companies on a steady growth path, who are nearing the end of their lease term and who know where they want to be located in the medium term, freehold purchase could make a lot of sense." the report says.

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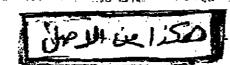
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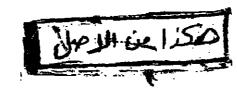
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Kirriemuir poised to enhance Cunningham-Brown's record

KIRRIEMUIR can maintain Ken Cunningham-Brown's excellent strike rate in the Isle Of Wight Handicap at Salis-

In recent weeks, the Danebury trainer, who re-turns a profit of £136.83 from a El stake on his runners this season, has enjoyed a fine run of success.

Kuriemuir was one of those contributors when taking a competitive seven-furlong handicap at Leicester last time out. The strength of that Leicester contest was recently confirmed when Glenscar, the runner up, was not unduly pressed to win at Wolver-

hampton last Friday.

The dangers will be numerous. Chance To Dream. from Richard Hannon's inform stable, commands considerable respect after opening her account at Brighton last Wednesday. But I feel the handicapper has her measure and she must concede 14lb to the selection.

Hannon, however, can be on the mark with Deba Downs in the EBF Sandown Maiden Stakes. On her debut at Salisbury, she put in a promising performance when, needing the outing, she was 10 lengths third to Cissbury

However, the promise was not fulfilled next time out at Goodwood, where she lost a good early position to finish tenth of 14 behind Magique Rond Point, But I am pre-pared to give this close relation of the top-class miler Shaadi

another chance. Never A Care, another filly to disappoint after a promising first run, can make up for lost time in the Upavon Fillies Stakes. At Ascot, on her sea-sonal debut, she showed plenty of pace when number up to Arbusha. This was followed by a lacklustre performance at Goodwood, where she beaten

12 lengths by Oumaldaaya in the Lupe Stakes. That disappointment can be

attributed to a step up in class and also her stable had been out of form due to coughing.

The David Elsworth-trained Party Cited, seeking her fourth consecutive victory, will be a serious threat but the concession of 14lb should

prove too much. Elsworth, however, should have the answer to the Yarmouth Handicap with Ivor's Divine Pet, who has been

burdened with big weights this season has again caught the eye of the handicapper after finishing number up to Shikari's Son at Brighton. Since that run the handicapper has put the seven-year-old up 3lb, but I feel this might not be enough to stop him opening his account for the season in the Levy Board

Handicap. Shikari's Son has

since given the form a lift by

winning again at Brighton.

cess is napped to follow up her recent Redcar victory in the East Riding Yeomanry Challenge Trophy for amateur riders. The Gerald Ham-trained mare, who travels from Som-erset, readily beat Brocune Grey by a length after making all the running.
After that victory last Friday,

Ham outlined his intention to run today and the booking of Maxine Juster, one of the most capable amateurs, is another factor in her favour. Bonus Point, a disappoint-

ing joint-favourite in a com-petitive nursery last time out at Newmarket, can return to form in the Contrac Computer Supplies Nursery. The colr's failure at Newmarket can be attributed to the fact that he raced alone on the far side of the course.

He had previously won at Redcar by a length from Marina Park, who has since won the group three Princess

Reserves plan in top races

THE Jockey Club is consider ing a proposal to bring in substitutes to replace non-runners in leading handicaps. The scheme is designed to ensure maximum fields in such races as the Grand National, the Cambridgeshire

and Royal Hunt Cup.
At present, if a horse is eliminated so that the field complies with the pre-determined safety figure, it has no way of re-entering the race even if a late withdrawal leaves the field short of the safety limit.

Luca Cumani was among the trainers keen on the idea but there will certainly be problems to be overcome before the plan can be introduced.

Not least of them is the

question of cost, principally who will pay for reserves to travel to the racecourse to be on stand by. If there are no non-runners in the designated race, the price of a wasted journey would have to be met. Backers are also likely to be unhappy if a horse which did not appear in the original list of runners is drafted in as a last-minute replacement. without them having immediate access to that information, and then goes on to win.

Roberts plans swift return as injury checks title drive

MICHAEL Roberts expects to be back in action today after his challenge for the jockeys' championship was temporarily halted yesterday.

Roberts was forced to give up nine rides, six at Yarmouth during the afternoon and a further three at Catterick's evening meeting, after injur-ing his neck in an accident on

the Newmarket gallops.
The South African was riding work for trainer Clive Brittain when he was unseated from the two-year-old filly Shamisen. "I was going out for first lot but as we reached the gallops the filly dropped her head very low," he said.

"I went to pick her up but as she brought it back she smacked me on the side of the head. I lost my balance and fell on my neck.
"I thought I would be all right at first, but when I went

out for the next lot with Mystiko I was in agony. I had to bring him back because I feared I wouldn't be able to control such a strong horse.
"I have been for some physic and I don't think my neck is too bad, just a bit bruised where I have pulled some muscles. I will sit on a horse again tomorrow morning before I decide whether to resume, but I don't think there

will be any problem." Roberts can at least afford a quiet day. A four-timer on Monday established a 26-winner lead over Pat Eddery at the top of the jockeys table. and with Eddery committed to ride at Deauville yesterday Roberts lead remained intact Eddery's chance will not be helped by further riding en-

gagements at Deauville in the coming weeks. Roberts is already looking ahead to next week's Ebor meeting at York, where he will team up with top filly Lyric Fantasy in the Nunthorpe

Stakes. So keen is to renew his association with her that he has agreed to waste down to 7st 8lb, putting up 1 lb over-

weight, to partner her in this clash with older horses. "It gets serious on Monday and I will practically have to starve myself." he said. "I

starve myself," he said. don't want to have to go into the sweat box, because it makes you weak," he added. "I have not done this before. but she is such a fantastic filly that I think it is worthwhile."

Other York news yesterday concerned the the Tote Ebor Handicap. There was signifi-cant support for the Finbarr O'Mahoney-trained Mull House, who was backed from 16-1 to 12-1 with William

A series of individual £1,000 bets forced Mull House down to ioint third favourite with Hawait Al Barr. Turgenev. trained by John Gosden. heads the market at 8-1.

At a Jockey Club enquiry yesterday Ginger McCain, the trainer of three-times Grand National winner Red Rum, was fined £1,250 by the Jockey Club's disciplinary committee for failing to pay the correct wages to stable staff.

He was found to have broken the rules in that his payments did not comply with the terms and conditions of service laid down for stable emplavees.

He also refused to produce his wages book for Jockey

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(5) 0-08520 SAMDRO 19 (B) (Baron G De Gent) J Frinchines 9-1
(5) 0-445 TEMPLE (NIGHT 25 (S Mingfletd Dight) C Cycer 8-11
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2.45 TATTERSALLS MAIDEN AUCTION SERIES STAKES (Qualifile: 2-Y-0: £2,924: 7! 100yd) (11 runners) BETTING: 15-8 Chieney, 4-1 Mr Geneslogy, 11-2 Marks. 6-1 Express Maricouria, 8-1 El Guapo, 10-1 others 1991: WATCH ME GO 9-0 A Mercer (20-1) Bob Jones 9 rm.

3.15 CHARLES ELSEY MEMORIAL CHALLENGE TROPHY (Handicap: £3,652: 1m 3f 216yd) (9 runners) 9 (9) ZSUZSKZ SMIKINC TO (100,000.7).
Ling handings Bath Ambition 7-4, Smith 7-2.
BETTING: 9-4 Bald Sect, 7-2 Daisy Girl, 4-1 Rajal, 5-1 Casallel, 8-1 First Bid, Smalle, 14-1 others.
1991: SMICKE 5-7-12 N Carilele (8-1) J Parlot, 6 can

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3.45 CONTRAC COMPUTER SUPPLIES NURSERY HANDICAP

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113	PUTURBALLA 8 (CD.8F.F.S) (G telle) J Denico 9-7	95
254242	COSTA VERDE 29 (A White) K Hopp 8-9	94
410	BOMUS POINT 11 (BF,F) (P Szort) Mrs & Revoley 8-5	92
55481	ARGINE CAVALIER 29 (CD,S) (E Jones (Pants) Lid) F Lan 8 4 N Karmady (5)	96
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053	LAUREL ETCILE 12 (Laurei (Leisure) Limited) J Berry 7-7	略
	173 254242 410 55481 03128 020048 818 00435	00435 DOC SPOT 28 (Mrs 6 Ress) J Wilson 7-7 C Hawlishy (7)

Long handisep: Monterly Present 7-4, Dec Spot 6-11, Laurel Ende 6-11.

BETTINE: 7-4 Feluciolis, 3-1 Borns: Point, 5-1 Anyle Caroller, 7-1 Costa Verda, 8-1 Laurel Ende, Amerigna, 14-1 Pine Ridge Lad, 16-1 others. 1991; BASSIO 8-7 Michael Dengro (4-1) C Allen 7 ran

4.15 JOURNAL HANDICAP (3-Y-0: £3,548; 2m 35yd) (7 runners) 2) 40-0211 PERSIAM FANTASY 19 (F) (Windflows Holdings) J Dunito 9-7. ... W Carson 92 (S) 5321 BETRI BEIJSE 21 (B) (D Herfs) H Cod 9-6 ... W Rysm 90 (40 010121 JACK BUTTON 12 (D, V, S) (A and B Racorp) Bob Jones 9-2 ... N Day 98 (7) 222122 SUEZ CAVAL 12 (BF,S) (R Schmidt-Bodner) M Tompilot 9-6 ... P Robinson 93 (6) 624002 KADART 8 (BF,S) (J Brodes) A Harrison 7-7 ... D Harrison (S) 98 (1) 152223 GAY MINO 14 (F) (H Stats) R Holdinshmad 7-7 ... A Garth (7) 68 Long handcape Kuduni 7-6, Say Ming 7-2. BETITHIG: 7-4 Belgigama, 3-1 Jack Bullon, 4-1 Suez Canol, 11-2 Persian Fanksoy, 8-1 Kadari, 10-1 otners.

4.45 EAST REDDING YEOMANRY CHALLENGE TROPHY HANDICAP

1981: GREEN LANE 9-2 S ("Gorman (4-1) I Baiding 6 ran

Aп	afeu	rs: £2,51	50: 2m 35yd) (13 runners)	
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2	画	1-05043	GREY POWER 18 (S) (J. Racing) Mrs & Royaley 5-11-1	98
3	(iii)	140134	LAFKADIO 315J (CD.F) (R Papaoris) M Chapman 5-10-10 M Chapman (5)	80
4	(1)	856/665	DOLLAR SEEKER 4 (B.F.S.) (A Bailey) A Bailey 8-10-8	80
5	(12)	00U-0	BLIOU PRINCESS 7 (6) (A Beamet) A Bailey 4-10-3 Lists Eaton	-
6	(4)		VAIN PRINCE 12 (F) (A Floribly) N Tinder 5-9-12	
7			AFORE JANE 25 (P Locks) G Herwood 3-9-12 Assenda Herwood	
8			PREMIER PRINCESS 5 (D.F.S) (D Druy) 6 Ham 6-9-12 (Sec) Maxim: Juster	
9			CAREFREE TIMES 67 (F,6) (Mrs J Taylor) J Norton 5-9-11 Papiline Robson.	
10			DESERT MIST 4 (BF,B,F) (Albury Ltd) Denys Smile 3-9 6 Melanie Carson (7)	
11			ONE FOR THE BOYS 14 (F) (3 Hairnes) J Wilson 5 9-5	
12			MENNARIK ANTIQUEFAIR 27 (CF) B Horgan 4-9-0 Stephonic Buston	
13	(13)	0-00000	THE METROPOLE 7 (E Judge) A Poits 3-9-0 Sarah Judge (5)	89
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			1m 100yd) (5 runners)	
1 2 3		000-609	KONKT'S GUEST 18 (Land Cadegard) G Princherd-Gordon 9-0 P Princheson DANICING PET 4 (D Hart) W Haigh 8-9 Dean McKnown FAIRY WISHER (R Duck) A Stevent 8-9 MR Roberts MR Roberts	-
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5	(4)	2	GRIGGER FLOWER 87 (BF) (Mrs H Morress) 6 Vivagg 8-9 M Hills	
BETTE	NG: 4	I-5 Patry W	Isher, 5-2 Ginger Flower, 4-1 King's Guest, 12-1 Dancing Pet, 14-1 Faustriuce Lady.	

1981: CRU EXCEPTIONNEL 9-0 W Ryan (exces too) ? Makin 6 cm COURSE SPECIALISTS 50 263 250 250 250 185

Sir David Llewellyn dies

retired recently after 27 years as The Sporting Life columnist Jack Logan, has died. He was

cences for women trainers and wearing of protective hats while riding, is survived by a widow and three children.

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Llewellyn, who campaigned determinedly for the welfare of

Progressive Brockton Dancer maintains Hannon's impetus

RICHARD Hannon maintained his spectacular form when Brockton Dancer gave the East Everleigh trainer his 21st winner in the last fortnight in the Tripleprint Median Auction Stakes at Bath

Hannon is the clear leader in the trainers' table, in terms of winners, with 110 successes this term. After shaking off Ivy Benson

in the early stages, the 7-4 on favourite was always in command and made the rest of the running. "She's a good mover and is likely to improve," said Hannon, who also issued a bulletin on First Victory, an intended runner in next week's Tote Ebor Handicap at

First Victory's third challenge for the race looked in doubt after a swelling appeared below his near-fore knee on Monday. But the inflammation disappeared overnight, and the horse cantered his morning.

"Touch wood, so far so good," Hannon said. "It's suggest anyone backs him at Luca Cumani has not en-

joyed the same degree of success as Hannon this year but the Newmarket trainer's team are gradually finding their best form. Retender confirmed their progress when putting some earlier disap-pointments behind him in the Market Gates Claiming



Hannon: holding a clear lead in the trainers' list

early days, and I wouldn't Stakes at Yarmouth. Making the most of a step up in trip and down in class, the Storm Bird colt stretched clear of his rivals over three out and beat the favourite Edge Of Darkness by three-and-a-half

Cumani and Frankie Dettori went on to complete a treble when newcomer Lost Soldier landed the EBF Manship Maiden Stakes. The Ken Ivory-trained sprinter Spring High took her season's haul to five with an all-the-way success in the Filby Bridge Handicap.
The 85-40 favourite re-

sponded gamely to Gary Bardwell's urgings to deny Hi-Tech Honda by a length, booking a return here next week in the process. "She used to be very nervous with other horses around her."

said Ivory. "She's not brilliant but keeps on trying. She'll go off the boil some time but I'll keep her going as long as possible and hope she will get into the Portland."

Going: Rem Golng: Rm
2.00 (1m 5)rd) 1, PRECIOUS AIR (B Rouse, 7-1); 2, Seeside Ministrel (G Hind, 33-1); 3, Simon Etile (A Tucker, 20-1), ALSO RAN: 5-2 law Lyn'e Rhatm, Naticel Lynte, 4, Shalou, 8 Kathy Fair (8th), 9 Zelre, 10 Grey But Rosy, 14 High Baccarat (Sth), 16 Weltonthermon (4th), 20 Limner Denosr, 25 Stotus, 10 Rock Song (pu), 15 ran, NR- Princa Roomsy, Tout de Val. 2, 11, Nd., hd. 11, A Moore at Brighton. Totle: £7.00; £3.10, £8.00, £7.30. DF, £93.30. CSF. £189.00. Bought in 3,000.gms.

DF. \$83.90. CSP. £189.00. Bought in 3,000gms.
2.50 (\$1 161yd) 1, BROCKTON DANCER (J. Roid, 4-7 lay); 2, Pontamechilo Mode (J. Wilsens, 15-8); 3, Steading (C. Ruier, 14-1). ALSO RAN: 16 by Berson (50), 50 Merch Pach (4th) 5 ran. 2, 11, 10, 119 R Hamon at East Everleigh. Total: £1.50; £1.10, £1.30, DF. £1.20. CSF; £2.05. Parjorn at Peak Cysteria, Total: 21.00; E1.10, E1.1

190.70.
4.00 (fim 3t 144yd) 1, CTY LINE (A Tucker, 9-1); 2, White Westeling (C Rutter, 13-8); 3. Pyero Square (J Reid, 8-11 fee), ALSO (ANL 25 Kitshender (4th), 4 ran. 1 14, 2, 4, 10 Lang at Lamboum, Total 19, 10; DF: 25.90 CSF: £21.91 55-90 CSF: £21.51
4.90 (SI 161yd) 1, NORTHERN BRD (J. Willems, 5-1); 2, Lowflenna (N Carlste, 7-1); 3, Second Colours (Fourn, 6-1) ALSO HAN 3 4-law Minches (Sth) 8 Bold County (8th), 8 Homeraster (4th), 12 Sharp Gazelle, 7 ran. 3, 11, rk, 11, 21 B Hills at Lambourn Tote: £4.70; £3.00, £3.00. DF: £19.20 CSF: £34.19

5.00 (5/ 11)(d) 1, MISTER JOLSON (T Sprake, 9-1), 2, Beithorn (A Murro, 20-1); 3, Red Verona (A Tucker, 14-1) ALSO RAN: 9-2 (HaV The Nobic Cells, Sports Post Lady, 5 Gellant Hope (5th), 8 Pendor Dencer, 11 Fortistre Lady, 12 Castle Mald (6th), 12 Earbeard's Cutle, 20 Village Pet, 20 Beveled Edge (4th), 25 Techyon Park 13 ran Shihd, 2, 14, inc. 4th R Hodges at Someron. Tote: 12-50, 12-30, 12-50, 18-60. DF. 14-590 CSF £150.93 Treast: 52,254.34 Placepot: \$2,143.50.

Yarmouth

Going: rem 2/21vo) 1, Retender (I. Dettoni, 9-4; Our Newmarket Correspondent's nep); 2, Edge Of Detness (2-1 sav); 3, Eurologin (6-1), 5 ran. 3%, 61, 1 Curreni, 76te; 62.50, 21.50, 21.50. DF: 63.70 CSF: 93.54. 28.54.
2.50 (8) 3yd) 1. Spring High (G Bardwell, 85-40 fay), 2. H-Tech Honds (4-1); 3. Mu-Arrik (4-1), 5 ran. 1l, 2l, K wory, Tote: £3.00; £2.20, £1.80. DF: £6.60, CSF: £9.54.
3.20 (6) 3yd) 1. Lost Soldier (L Detton, 7-2), 2. Tropical Waters (15-8 ji-lav), 3. Memizete Angol(9-2) Suivez 15-8 ji-lav, 5 ran. 4, 27vl. 1. Current, Tote, £4.40; £1.70, £1.70. DF: £3.70 CSF: £10.10. 21.70. Lift: 23.70 CSF: 210.10. 3.50 (71 3yd) 1. Alfen (R Hills, 5-2; 2, Magazafi Ana (20-1). 10 ran. 61, 1l. H Thomson Jones Tole: 24.20; £1.30, £2.10, £5.10 DF: £5.60 CSF. £8.14.

CSF: 19.14.
4.20 (Im 3yd) 1, Joseph's Wine (R Hills, 4-1)-favi; 2, Broad Appeal (25-1); 3, Aragon Cauti (4-1)-favi; -1, Favi; -1, Im . NR. Mass Magerta, Twice As Much. Hd. 44. R Besimen. Tote 57,70; 52,40, 57,50, 52,30. No bd. 45.07.30 data. No bot.
4.50 (71 Syd) 4. Shiring Jewel II. Piggott.
11-4): 2, Juvenara (9-4 levi): 3, Corol Pilitter
(11-4): 5, non-14d, hd. Mar I. Piggott. Tote.
23.40: 61.30, 51.60, DF: 23.30 (CSF: 25.30
5.20 (1m 61 Tryd): 1, Briggsmaid (M.
Tebbutt, 3-1): 2, Heavenly Welters (9-4 levi):
3, Saif Al Add (9-1) 8 non. Sh hd. 11 J
Einstace, Tote: 54.00; 51.90, 51.50, 51.40.
DF: 24.40 CSF: 59.27 Tricest: 542.79.

Going: firm
2.10 (2m 2f) 1, Five Castles (M Penett, 7-2): 2, Across The Card (9-2): 3, Coombesbury Lane (10-1). Thunder Bug 8-4 fav. 5 ran. NR: Fiver Crase. 5, rit. 6 Emight. Tote: £3.50; £1.60, £1.90 DF: £4.60 CSF: £16.91.
2.40 (2m 6f) 1, Mandalay Prince (M A Fizogerald, 4-11 fav; 2, Polly Penore (50-1): 3, Zafra (50-1). 8 ran. 151, 31 J O'Shea. Tote: £1.40; £1.30, £3.70, £4.60. DF: £34.60, CSF: £18.97.
3.10 (2m 2f) 1, £3. Affasans Lad (D Moris. 11-10); £2.70 CSF: £18.97.
3.10 (2m 2f) 1, 51. Affasans Lad (D Moris. 11-10); £2.70 CSF: £2.24.
3.40 (2m 2f) 1, Humfing Ground (M Penett, 3.40 (2m 2f) 1, Humfing Ground (M Penett, 3.40 (2m 2f) 1, Humfing Ground (M Penett, 3).

3.40 (2m 2) 1, Humling Ground (M Perrett, 2-5 fay); 2. Packord (8-1); 3, Sant Bene't (3-1), 3 ran, 14, 81, 6 Herwood, Tote: £1.30; DF: £2.20 CSF: £3.10 DF: 52.20 CSF: 53.10
4.10 (2m 25) 1, Never A Penny (G Moore,
4-1), 2, Flying Zed: (10-11 fav), 3, Pleypen
(9-1), 5 ran 2%, dist. J Elrott, Tote: 24.00;
17.40, 51 60 DF: 23.80 CSF: 52.15,
4.40 (2m 2) 1, Careleas Lad (J Frost, 7-1);
2, Someone Brave (4-1); 3, Eau (T-Epoore,
(8-1), Normantic Rose 11-4 fav. 7 ran, 15f. 2f.
2, Joseph, Tote: 98.80; 52.80, 62.70 DF:
214.50 CSF: 534.48 Placapot: £43.90.

Catterick Bridge Going: good 8.00 (7) 1. kladern Cyn's Risk (Ö Peers, 11-4); 2. konestie Flight (33-1). 11 ran. NF: Denchig Domino, Forthernoment. Vil. W. N Callegran. Tota: 24.50, 51.80, 51.30, 57.20. DF: 68.20. CSF: 28.13.

Monday's details Leicester

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Fowler and Allott dismissed with Ormrod

Lancashire display ruthless streak in purge of old guard

LANCASHIRE'S troubled season took a sour turn yesterday. The dub, struggling in the bottom four in the county championship, terminated the contract of the manager. Alan Ormrod, and also announced that it was releasing its two experienced players.
Allott and Graeme

No decision will be made on a permanent successor for Ormrod until the end of the son. In the meantime, David Hughes, the assistant manager, whose own position had been regarded as vulnerable, will take over as acting Effectively that means that Hughes, who has always denied any interest in Ormrod's job, is on trial for the next four or five weeks.

"At present there are two people managing cricket at the club," Bob Bennett, the chairman, said yesterday, "but the committee believed that there is only one position as manager. Results this season have not been comparable win the past four or five years. and we decided changes si ould be made at this stage to give us the remaining four or five weeks of the season to consider the future."

The news had been broken to Ormrod at a committee meeting on Monday evening. Fowler was summoned to the ground yesterday morning to hear his fate from Bennett, but

England may make bow under lights

T1: E Test and County Cricket Board is keeping a close eye on the series of floodlit matches taking place at the Don Valley stadium in Sheffield this week and there is a possibility that a day-night one-day international, the first to be staged in Britain, could take place there between England and Australia next summer (Martin

The stadium, built for the World Student Games two years ago, has a capacity of 25,000, executive boxes and boundaries the required 75 yards. A grass pitch is being prepared that can be lowered into the middle to provide a natural surface rather than the artificial one in use. Even if an England v Australia match was not part of the Texaco Trophy series, it would gener-

ate much income.

A crowd of 6,000 saw West Indies beat a Rest of the World side on Monday by 45 runs. Yorkshire met Durham last night and the winners play either Lancashire or India on Thursday.

the club made the announcement before Allon, who was reportedly in north Wales, The two players, both former England internationals,

had been at the club for 16 years, by nice symmetry joining and now leaving on the same day. Although he was given the option to leave immediately, Fowler is staying play in the remaining Sunday League games at the request of the captain, Neil

The decision to release effectively to dismiss - the players was not totally unexpected, only the timing coming as a surprise. The decision on Ormrod, whose record as manager of Lancashire has been exceptional, stuns by its

Ormrod took over as manager in 1987 at a time when ebb. By 1990 they had won four trophies, only the county championship escaping them. Last season things fell away in mid-season as the Wasim Akram affair, when the Pakistani fast bowler was heavily fined by the club for dissent, undermined the team spirit, as did the jockeying over the captaincy when Hughes prepared, somewhat reluctantly, to step aside. Even then they had reached the Benson and Hedges Cup final.

Hughes was appointed as over the day-to-day duties with the first team. With a topheavy management structure, and two inexperienced cap-tains. Michael Atherton taking over while Fairbrother was injured for extended periods, decline this season has been swift, but the decision to dismiss Ormrod, who has not been with the first team, is

"He is the best manager I have played with," Fowler said. "He did a good job when fully in charge, and I'm sure would do again if he had been given the opportunity."

The sacking of Allott, who has been sadly underused, some would say misused, this season, and Fowler will also have its critics, although it is less contentious. Fowler was heavily fined early in the season for statements criticising the chairman over the Wasim Akram affair, and Allott's outspokeness also made him enemies.

The players are likely to find another county if they want one, although one scenario being floated yesterday was that David Lloyd would ultimately emerge as the manager, with the likelihood that Allott would then return as bowling coach. That at least should end the speculation

Rain calls a halt to bowlers' workout

Kandy: The Australians lost valuable match practice yesterday when rain allowed only 29 overs to be bowled on the second day of their three-day match against a Sri Lanka Board President's XI.

The Australians closed their first innings at the overnight total of 278 for nine hoping to give their bowlers a good workout with the first of three one-day internationals beginning on Saturday and the first Test of a three-match series starting on Monday.

struggled on Monday, with only Mark Waugh, with a typically fluent 74, and Craig McDermott, who made a robust 58 not out, mastering the Sri Lankan attack, the touring side's plans went further awry when rain intervened and by the close of a restricted second day at the Asgiriya stadium the home team had reached 71 for one.

The first two sessions saw only seven overs bowled, but in that time the left-arm fast bowler, Mike Whitney, made an early breakthrough when found the edge of Chandika Hathurusinghe's

bat to give Greg Matthews a

Edwards has shattered most

of the records of youth, Wembley finalist at 17. Great Britain player at 18 and

Challenge Cup winning cap-tain at 21. His consistency

continues to impress. He has

never dropped into the re-

serves and, last season, en-

joyed his most successful year

by heading rugby league's try-scoring charts with 40.

☐ The Rugby Football

League yesterday announced record profits of £233,645

from the Great Britain tour of

Australia, New Zealand and

Greg Mackey, the Austra-lian scrum half, has rejoined

Warrington from Hull for an

Papua New Guinea.

RUGBY LEAGUE

Edwards benefits from

testimonial match

SHAUN Edwards is, at 25. Wigan's most decorated player, with 20 winners' medals since signing for his hometown dub on his seventeenth

birthday (Christopher Irvine

writes). The reward is a benefit

season, beginning with a testi-

monial match between Wigan and a Great Britain Select

most costly junior.

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BATTING and BOWLING AVERAGES

catch at first slip. The Sri Lankan opener, needing a big score to boost his confidence and secure his place in the Test team, had scored just one run.

Asanka Gurusinha, the Board XI's captain, and Roshan Mahanama successfully negotiated the pace of Craig McDermott, Whitney and Tony Dodernaide on a slow pitch to remain unbeaten on 26 and 38 respectively.

The Australian captain, Allan Border, opted to give his fast bowlers lengthy spells but they were prevented from going flat out by the slippery

conditions. Dodemaide, the former Sussex all-rounder, who was selected for the tour party ahead of his Victoria teammate Mery Huphes was making his return to Australian colours after having won the last of his eight caps against the West Indies in 1988. He was the Sheffield Shield player of the year in the

The match resumes tomorrow - today being a rest day to coincide with a local religious festival. (Reuter) SCORES: Australians 278-9 dec (M E Waugh 74, C J McDermott 58 not out); Sil Lanka Board President's XI 71-1.

ENGLAND suffered their first defeat in the Woolwich

world pairs championship at

Worthing yesterday, with Tony Allcock and John

Ottaway losing 24-17 to Neil Burkett and Bill Moseley, of

South Africa (Gordon Allan

Sammy Allen and Steve

Adamson, of Ireland, went to

the head of the section after

their 18-13 win over Argenti-

na. and England dropped to

second place. The other joint

leaders, Zimbabwe, lost 23-12

Burkett and Moseley were

11-1 up after nine ends and

17-9 after 17. On the next

end, a takeout by Allcock

brought England six shots,

but the South Africans, with

Moseley, the lead, consistently

last Australian summer.



Hands across the sea: Maynard Jackson, the mayor of Atlanta, receiving the Olympic flag from president Juan Antonio Samaranach

Atlanta pledges global centenary Games

FROM DAVID MILLER IN BARCELONA

THE leaders of the Organising Committee for Atlanta's Centenary Olympic Games left Barcelona's resplendent, emotional closing ceremony knowing what was on everybody's mind. Beat that. Barcelona has set a daunting task

Billy Payne, the organising president, promises something different, and appropriate, for the significance of the occasion. This will be anything but a repeat of the all-American event in Los Angeles in 1984.

In the wake of the criticism surrounding the preference of Atlanta to Athens, the people of Georgia intend to present a display of internationalism beyond reproach and free of American chauvinism.

"These will not be the Atlanta or the United States Games," insists Payne, an imposing figure in build yet unpretentious in manner. "We'll call them the Atlanta Games, because that feels good, and the ceremonies will have elements of our southern culture. But we acknowledge that the mandate for the centenary requires a more broadly based celebration of

the Olympic movement." Payne hopes the organiser their community, but he wants to salute the contribution of the whole movement over 100 years: the historic association with Greece, the European founding fathers, the sporting heroes from all nations down

the years.
"You'll see our pride, but not a nationalistic celebration," Payne says. "We may get some flak at home, from people who see Atlanta only, but we've got to educate them, and we'll do

The appeal of Payne and his senior executive, Charlie Battle, both lawyers, is that they came to the Olympic Games in ignorance but with open minds, innately sensing the value of this unique event. When they attended the 1986 election of Barcelona, they hardly knew an IOC member from the hall porter, yet were prepared to listen and learn. They now have a better grasp. not only of the realities of the



of the Games but the virtues of the past, than some of the

By 1996 the IOC will have more national representatives than most international organisations. "The scope and scale of the gathering is not properly understood," Payne says. "Our job is to design a showcase that transcends

sport, which in a sense is not

the ultimate end product of the ence of part of human culture that unites rather than divides us, a melting pot of ethnic diversity. The advantage is that there is a huge audience that can hear other things you

may have to say."

The presentation of the Games will also seek to demonstrate what Atlanta has always claimed: that efficiency, facilities and potential, not just money, won them the vote. As Andrew Young, the human rights leader and former mayor, said at the time: When you don't have to worry about money, you are in: a better position [than those who do to give time and consideration to other priorities." Payne is aware just how much the style and conduct of his southern colleagues is

going to be on the line. He admits that one of the difficulties will be the level of expectation, because of the perception of unlimited money in hospitality, sports facili-ties, accommodation, transport. Those expectations will have to be tempered against the realities of the day, he

depressed television market and continuing recession. But he promises the one element that will not be jeopardised is standards for the field of play.

"Our hearts may be fuller that our pocket." Payne says. For a start, Atlanta will suffer from a change in Olympic financial regulations. The organising committee will ger 60 percent of the gross television rights fees instead of about 75 per cent available

under the previous formula. Nor is The Olympic Programme (TOP) of a dozen exclusive multi-national sponsors (which was not in operation in 1984) helpful for an American city. Many of the TOP sponsors are American and might otherwise put more money directly into the organisers' purse.

less, the best in hospitality. We're good at taking care of to see the gentlemanliness that won us the Games. We will be at the forefront of fighting off American television please

RUGBY UNION

Australians hit fast forward

Western Transvaal 13

IN POTCHEFSTROOM SOUTH Africans have waited a long time to see for themselves how Australia have ris-

RUGBY CORRESPONDENT

en to the apex of world rugby: at the Olenpark here yester day, in the heart of Mealie country, they received their first taste and, for all their notorious conservatism, appeared to enjoy it.
The Wallabies won the opening game of their fourmatch tour by two goals, four tries and four penalty goals to two tries and a penalty, a victory that would have been

more decisive but for a hardworking rally by Western Transvaal in the second halfand the effect of the touring team playing at altitude for the A tour schedule which gives the Australians two games on the veldt within five days of arrival, never mind the eighthour time difference, seems

harsh in the extreme but the

players had the points in their tucker bag by half-time, before running short of breath.

BOWLS

England pair's run halted

getting bowls in the head, and Burkett, his skip, giving little away, controlled the rest of the

Australia, joint leaders of the other section, were in

trouble late in the afternoon

against the United States, who

were 19-16 ahead with one

end to play. Alex Marshall and Richard Corsie, of Scot-

land, had their seventh consec-

utive win, 48-3, over Japan,

having beaten Kenya 24-18 in

the morning session. Peter Belliss and Rowan

Brassey, of New Zealand, the

holders, beat India 18-13 to

keep in touch, while Will

Thomas and Robert Weale, of

Wales, were not too far behind

after beating the Cook Islands

In the triples, John Bell,

26-10.

Not that they were ever less than committed in defence as they conceded a swag of penalties in the second half, against a team which, on their last meeting 23 years ago, had the temerity to win 18-6. But that was when Western Transvaal were strong; now they are a second-grade union playing a highly trained and sizeable

touring team. The biggest of those, Waugh, opened the scoring in the second minute direct from a lineout and the second biggest, Morgan, closed the Australian scoring chart 70 minutes later. Both dominat-



Gavin: crossed twice

Andy Thomson and Roy Cutts, of England, beating Thailand 31-6, continued to share the leadership of their

section with South Africa, who

In their morning pairs

match with Japan, Wales had

every score possible on the

card except a seven. They

picked up a full house of eight

on the sixteenth end and won

The Japanese are having

their usual hapless time in

these championships, losing their morning triples match, 36-9, to England and in the

afternoon going down 47-1 to Australia. But they keep smil-

ing. What else can they do?

defeated Guernsey 20-16.

ed the lineout, which was contested in South African mode, allowing support of the jumper, though whether they will be allowed to do so under the eye of a neutral referee (David Bishop, of New Zealand) in Cape Town seems doubtful.

By the interval they led 33their smooth movement of the ball — even though the forwards scored all of the tries contrasting well with the labourings of the New Zea-land midweek side against Central Unions the previous Of this Australian side, four

have yet to win caps and only three are likely to play in the international, in Cape Town on August 22, unless Ofahengaue and Gavin, the scorer of two tries here, can rediscover the form that made them so formidable last year.

IOTHIUADIC (AST YEAR, SCORERS: Western Transvasi: Tries: Sewert, Hare, Pensilly: Bouwer, Australians: Tries: Gavin (2), Waugh, Blades, Wisson, Morgen, Conversions: Roebuck (2) Pensillaes: Roebuck (4).
WESTERN TRANSVAAL: W van der Merwe, A Hornen, N Engelbracht, D Swert, G Bryent, G Bouwer, E Hare (capt); R Lottet, J Pulser, H Transp (reg.: M Hurter), D Sewert, L Swert, S Loots, B Rossouw, T Stewart. AUSTRALIANS: M Roebuck, D Junee, A Histoeri, R Tombe, D Campaee; P Kahi, P Saltievi (capit); M Ryan, T Lawton, A Blades, W Ofahangaue, W Wesgh, G Morgen, D Wilson, T Gevin, Referee: F Burger (Western Province).

EQUESTRIANISM

Thelwall encouraged by her success at Everdon

By JENNY MACARTHUR

LUCINDA Thelwall and Praemonito had a reassuring last outing before their first three-day event at Blair Castle later this month when they won the competitive open intermediate section of the Everdon horse trials, sponsored by John D. Wood and Co, in Northamptonshire

yesterday.

Thelwall, a chartered surveyor, had the fastest time over the undulating, two-mile cross country course to finish three points ahead of the runner-up, Caroline Casburn on Winchester Lad,

"He likes to be left on his own and do it himself. He's very clever and just backs off when he comes to the fences," Theiwall said.

Another impressive performance yesterday came from Young Lochinvar, a six-yearold by Royal Renown, ridden by Fiona Stuart from Dunbartonshire, who finished in third place. He is just the most honest horse you could find," Stewart, who was shortlisted for the 1968 Mexico Olympic Games with Ballinkeele, said She bought the long-strid-

ing Lochinvar a year ago from . Ireland as a novice. He was upgraded to advanced within

12 months. The trials, one of the oldestand most popular in the country, attracted a high-class field that included Mary. Thomson, a member of the British Olympic team, and Anna Herman, a member of the Swedish team. Thomson, who returned from Barcelona? at midnight on Monday, had the best dressage score in the class on King Samuel, but

withdrew him from the cross

country because of concern

over a swollen hock sustained; while she was away. On her second horse, King Boris, she had "a nice quietouting" in preparation for Gatcombe, where Thomson. will attempt to retain her national title for the third

Campbell on course at

ANDREW Campbell, of Bedford Rifle Club, who led the points out of 800 over the first

field for the premier class X, grand aggregate at the Nat-ional Small-bore Rifle Association championships at Bisley yesterday, could be one of the busiest of the 1,500 shooters taking part (Our Rifle Shooting Correspondent writes).

Philip Strong last year, but he is also training for next week's Nordic shooting champion ships, practising with the fullbore rifle in between matches. Campbell made a good start

for the small-bore grand ag-gregate by collecting 776

two of the six events. This gave him the lead, ahead of Jon Stern, the 1990 British champion, who is two points be-hind, and Alan Perry and

hind, and Alan Perry and Michael Bagot, who are one point behind Stern.

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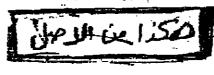
Krickstein out of Open

Los Angeles: Aaron Krickstein, who broke his left foot during the Los Angeles tournament last week, is to have surgery and will miss the US Open, which starts at Flusing Meadow on August 31.

Krickstein, the world No. 15, was injured during his semi-final against Mark Woodforde, of Australia, and was forced to retire. The American will be out of action for at least three months. Chris Wilkinson, of Britain,

tipset the higher-ranked-American, Richard Mani-szewski, 6-3, 6-4 in the first round of the ATP Challenger tournament in Segovia vesterday. (Agencies)





SHOOTING

start of tight schedule

Not only will he be defend-ing his British prone champ-ionship and seeking to regain the grand aggregate he lost to

Norwich City ready to part with Fleck

Chelsea beat rivals in race to sign influential Harford

By Louise Taylor

CHELSEA yesterday fended off competition from Everton and Coventry City to recruit Mick Harford for £300,000 from Luton Town. It may seem a large sum to invest in a 33-year-old, but Harford, a former England centre forward, was probably Lution's most influential player last

On a busy day in the transfer market for Chelsea. the club's attack was furthered strengthened by the acquisition of John Spencer, a Scot-tish Under-21 international. for £450,000 from Rangers.
The double signing signi-

fied that there was no future for Johnny Ekström at Stamford Bridge. The Swedish international forward has been on loan at Chelsea with a view to a possible £1 million move from IFK Gothenburg, but Ekström failed to impress in an exhibition at Bristol City last Saturday and Gothenburg yesterday confirmed that he will be returning to

Mike Walker, the Norwich City manager, has said that he expects Robert Fleck, his Scottish forward, to leave Carrow Road by the weekend. Norwich want £2.5 million for land, for an undisclosed fee.

Fleck, who has inspired inter-

est from Chelsea and Tottenham Hotspur. Another attacker, Dean

Holdsworth, who has spent the summer on loan at Wimbledon from Brentford, yesterday made his status at Selhurst Park permanent thanks to a £720,000 transfer, a record for the west London club. The deal also involved Detsi Kruszynski and Mickey Bennett moving in the opposite direction.

Notes County have rejected two £2.5 million offers for Craig Short, their impressive central defender, from Blackburn Rovers and Derby County. Short, 24, still has two years of his present contract at Meadow Lane outstanding and Derek Pavis, the Notts county chairman, yesterday said: "He is seeing that contract out." A 63 million offer, however, might be viewed in a different light by Notis County who, only a few weeks ago, were reported to be wanting £1 million in return to parting

with Short. The Nottingham club did sign a new defender yesterday, Willem 11 Tilburg of Hol-

Pendry pleads for clubs

AS CHARLTON Athletic, Maidstone United, Oxford United and a host of other football clubs will testify, grandiose plans for new, purposebuilt stadia often go no further than the offices of local authority planning departments (Louise Taylor writes). With this in mind, Tom Pendry, chairman of the parliamentary all-party football committee. is to lead a delegation to meet David Mellor, the secretary of state for national heritage, to urge the government to help clubs being refused such plan-

Pendry said yesterday: "We want a show of flexibility to help those many clubs who are striving to develop new mod-ern stadia with facilities fit for the 21st century, but who are finding themselves hampered by an inflexible planning straitjacket. That situation cannot continue."

□ Zurich: Fifa, the sport's world governing body, an-nounced yesterday that it has decided to keep the Olympic Games football tournament as an under-23 competition for 1996.

He joins the club's other new recruit, Bob Catlin, an Australian goalkeeper.

Short apart, Kenny Dalgiish, the Blackburn man-ager, also has his eye on Vince Bartram, the Bournemouth goalkeeper. Bournemouth had hoped to raise £1 million by seiling Bartram, but their financial position may force them to accept £500,000 small change to Rovers.

Leicester City yesterday signed Bobby Davison, the Leeds United forward, for £50,000. Brian Little, the Leicester manager, initiated the transfer after learning that David Lowe his £200,000 purchase from Ipswich Town would miss the first two months of the season with a facial injury. A unburnal has ordered Bris-

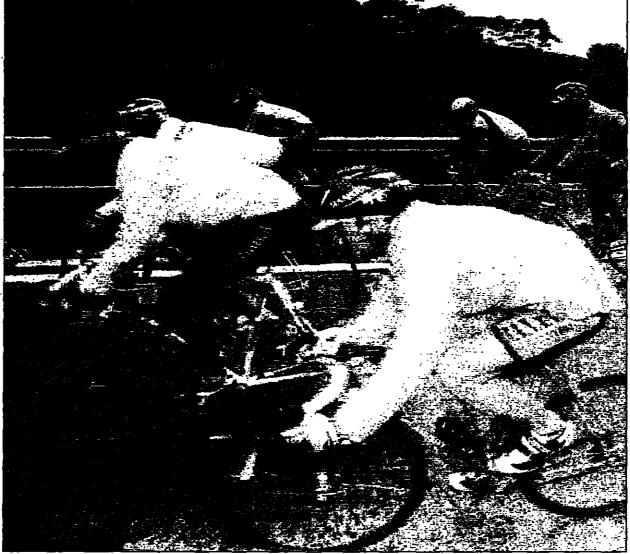
tol Rovers to pay Sunderland £160,000 for Paul Hardyman, their former left back. Preston North End have

signed Tony Ellis, their former forward, from Stoke City. Graham Shaw has joined Stoke, ironically also his old club, from Preston in part exchange with North End paying £50,000. Bruce Grobbelaar will de-

cide today whether to play for Liverpool in a Premier League fixture at Nottingham Forest on Sunday or fly to Harare to keep goal for Zim-babwe in an international against South Africa. Should Grobbelaar fly to Africa, David James, Liverpool's summer signing from Wat-ford, will start the season in

Liverpool were ordered to pay an initial £1 million for James by a tribunal yesterday with, depending on appearances, a further £300,000 to

Manchester City have offered Wimbledon £1.5 million for Terry Phelan, the full back, but the London club is likely to hold out for £2 million.



Spin in the rain: the field in the Kellogg's Tour swishs along the A7 between Edinburgh and Galashiels

Sciandri sprints to yellow jersey

By a Correspondent

MAX Sciandri won the long-est stage of this year's Kellogg's Tour of Britain at Gateshead yesterday to take the overall lead in the race. He has a three-second advantage over Jos van Aert, of Holland, with another Dutchman, Adri van Der Poel, another seven seconds behind.

It was an Anglo-Italian success for Sciandri who was born in Derby and lived in Bournemouth until he was six years old, when his parents moved to Los Angeles.

Sciandri, 25, is now based in Florence and rides for the American Motorola team. "I've never won a big stage race, this would be a good one

behind on 75. The top Eng-

lish players were Fiona Brown, from Cheshire, and

Gina Simpson, from York-

shire, on 76.

GOLF

to start with," Sciandri said. He has two stage wins in the Giro d'Italia to his credit. He is working his way back to fitness after a stomach upset forced him to pull out of the Tour de France.

The action came in the final ten miles of the 133-mile stage from Edinburgh through the Kielder Forest to Tyneside. The field had stayed together until Swallwell Bank, a short sharp climb on the outskirts of Gateshead, split the pack. Van Aert was first on to the 1.6mile finishing circuit, chased hard by Sciandri, Van der Poel and Heinz Imboden, of

Switzerland. Van der Poel beat Sciandri in a bonus sprint with a lap to go. But the Italian learnt from

County for the past seven

years, set a mark of 73 for both

the old and new courses and it

stood up pretty well, for Mc-

Kay dropped shots at the 14th

and 15th before bagging her sixth birdie (and Duck) at the

The club captain was report-

edly most peeved when he

heard one of the German

might concede, is a little

his defeat and made certain he was first out of the final bend and held off his challengers down the 200-metres finishing straight. Hendrick Redant, who

started the day in the yellow jersey, led home the fourth group to finish and slipped to fourth place overall. Brian Smith, the former

British champion, celebrated the race's departure from his native Scotland by winning two Border country climbs counting towards the king of the mountains competition. "I hadn't planned to go for

the climber's prize but I decided a couple of sprints in the hills would raise my morale on a rainy day and now I'll try to defend my lead," he said.

Subern-Montgomery, 16:54/20.

OVERALL POSITIONS: 1, Sciendit, 7hr 40min 01sec; 2, Van Aert et 3sec; 3, Van der Poel, et 7:4, H/Redent (Lotic, Sel), et 8:5, O Lucking, Penesonnic, Ger), et 16: 6, Museeuw, et 18: 7, Anderson et 20; 8, Bouwmann, et 22; 9, Kummer, 10, Casagnande, both serne time. Points classification: 1, Scaandh, 27/pts; 2, Van der Poel, 25: 3, Museeuw, 22 Sprints: 1, Sclandin, 11/pts; 2, Van der Poel, 7: 3, Van Aert, 5, Mountains: 1, B Smith (Beranna-MET, GB), 12/pts; 2, imboden, 9, 3, B Hamburger (TVM, Holl), 8, Overall team: 1, POM, 23hr 00min 53sec; 2, Motorola, 23:01:02, 3, Suberu-Montgomery, 23:01:02, 3, Suberu-Montgomery,

BOXING

Patterson mourns loss of defensive skills

FROM SRIKUMAR SEN IN ATLANTIC CITY

THE failure of American boxers to dominate the Olympic ring in Barcelona and to match the brilliance of their 1976 and 1984 teams did not come as a surprise to Floyd Patterson, the former world

is now the trainer of Donovan "Razor" Ruddock. Patterson, who won a gold medal at middleweight in the 1952 Olympics and was the youngest world heavyweight champion at 21 (until Mike Tyson improved on that record 31 years later in 1987) bemoaned the lack of basic

heavyweight champion, who

these days. nothing about defence," he

said.
"I got a bigger thrill in

getting the guys to miss than hitting them."

When Patterson was called in to train Ruddock for his London on October 31, he found the world No. 1 contender also knew nothing about defence.

When I first worked with him he did not know too much about defence and relied too much on offence. We concentrated on a lot of small things, which had another benefit, it improved his concentration.

"At first I didn't want the job

but after I flew down and met him, I found him a real nice guy and I was impressed by his tremendous determination."

Patterson, 57, has no regrets that he is not boxing today when there is so much big money to be made. The old days were better. "With all these organisations these days,

people only know three or four fighters," he said.

"In my day, not only were the champions known but also the challengers. I prefer yesterday because a champion then was something special."

YACHTING

Bounder takes narrow lead

FROM BARRY PICKTHALL IN CORK

BOUNDER, Chris Little's 45ft-Beneteau cruiser/racer, leaves Cork tonight on the second stage of the Round Britain Race with a short handicap lead over the 28strong fleet, after welcoming southwesterly winds swept many of the smaller yachts into the Irish port yesterday. Among them was Tom and

Vicky Jackson's evergreen 38footer. Sunstone, which arrived with a flourish to be thirteenth across the line, and missed stealing Bounder's thunder by a mere 28 minutes once times had been corrected. Matthew Humphries and his Youth Challenge team, preparing for next year's Whitbread Round the World

Race, were pushed down to fourth place on overall handicap, first by Sunstone, which now leads class 2, and later by Michael Taylor Jones's S & S 34 Deerstalker, the class 3 Ocean Leopard, Mike Slade's Ocean 80 yacht, which

led the fleet into Cork on Monday, has slumped to eighth in class 1. Her crew also knows that it will have to perform better on the next stage of this Hartlepool Renaissance race to Lerwick if it is to stand any chance of breaking the record of ten days set by Robin Knox-Johnston 16 years ago.

"It has been a slow start," David Alan Williams, Ocean Leopard's co-skipper said yesterday. We averaged six knots on this first 340-mile stage and have to make seven to break the record."

By last night, 21 yachts had arrived at Cork, leaving seven still struggling to reach port before tonight's restart, which has been delayed to give these crews a chance to stock up for the 830-mile stage to the

7.123-46: 2. Samemar Dum, Touri, Trotal Politics, 7.25-48; 3. Reposalion (Posterhweite), 7.33-43; 4. Norma (H Baum, Ger), 74-57-07; 5. Blue Demond (RAFSA), 75:10-53; 6. Control (Fi Raven), 76:19-38; 7. Silver Apple (A ven Hee), 77:16-47, 8. Multiple Chellenge (N Booth), 80:04-49. Class 3: 1, Demaniter (M Taylor-Jones), 71:28:13; 2, Clemonet (P Merch), 72-44-39.

CRICKET

Cook earns recall by South Africa

Johannesburg: Jimmy Cook, who was left out of South Africa's World Cup team, was named yesterday in a provi-sional squad to face India in a four-Test series against India starting in November. All 14 players in the World

Cup squad have been included and Kepler Wessels retains the captaincy. Corrie van Zyl. Craig Matthews and van Zyl, Craig Marinews and Darryl Cullinan have been called up. *Reuter* SCHAD: KC Wessels (captain), T Bosch, S J Cook, W J Crone, D J Culman, A A Donald, O Henry, A C Hudson, P N Kirsten, A P Kuper, C Medithews, B M McMiller, M W Pringle, J N Rhodes, D J Richerdson, M W Rushmere, R P Snel, C J P G Van Zyl.

Death in Barcelona

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One American was killed and

early on Sunday on Gava

in either Marino or Ostia,

Halfway there

Golf: Paul Mayo and Mark Stokes, who failed to survive purposefully to reach the half-

explosion in Barcelona, a United States consulate official said yesterday.

The accident occurred while they playing with a rocket beach, south of the city.

Benn in Rome

Boxing: Mauro Galvano, of Italy, will defend his World Boxing Council super-middleweight title against Nigel Benn, of Britain, on October 3

on the European Tour, played way stage of the PGA Assistants Championship at East Sussex National with tworound totals of 141 and 145 respectively. Mayo led by three strokes from Darren Panks.

A Constant

four others, including Wyatt Jones, of the canoeing team, were injured in a firework

near Rome.

McKay handicapped to break record

By PATRICIA DAVIES MHAIRI McKay played to her handicap in the first round of qualifying for the British girls championship at Northamptonshire County golf club yesterday - and that was good

enough to lead. McKay, from Turnberry, is off plus two, so playing to her

IF THE Americans were not worried about the outcome of this year's Solheim Cup before Sunday, they should be now:

"Flojo" has taken off (Patricia

Davies writes). Florence Descampe, 23, one of the newcomers to the European side for the match against the United States at Dalmahoy in October, known on the circuit as Flojo, registered her first victory on the US tour, in the Stratton

Mountain Classic in Vermont The Belgian won by two shots from Dottie Mochrie, the leading money-winner this the standard scratch, which is the relevant number for handicapping purposes.) It put her two shots ahead of

Laura Navarro, of Spain. Two other Spaniards, Vanessa Vignali and Sara Beautell, and Stephanie Guiroy, of handicap is no mean feat. And France, were a shot further

she set a new course record

with her round of 72, three

under par (but only two under

McKay's caddie, a young man called Robert Duck, must have had mixed feelings as his charge powered to four under

par after ten holes, for it was his mother's record that she was smashing. Angela Duck, Descampe into stride at right time

> confirmed the European mainly due to her refusal to challenge by tying for eighth place. Descampe shot up to 24th on the money-list, with \$155,702, just behind Helen Alfredsson, the Swede who seemed to have the rookie-ofthe-year title to herself.

Descampe, long-hitting, flamboyant and youthfully impatient, undoubtedly gives David Leadbetter more headaches than Nick Faldo but Leadbetter knows a golfer when he sees one. Trips to consult him have helped Descampe overcome an un-

year, while Laura Davies certain start in the States accept that winning there is more difficult than in Europe.

her US outings.

become a famous Belgian.

contingent on local radio saying that the course was easy and he must have been quietly gratified that the best the Germans could manage was a 79. Qualifying, as the now more experienced frauleins

16th.

She learns fast. Since failing to qualify for the US Open last month - she thought her score had no chance and was flying to New York when others on the same score were taking part in a play-off - she has finished ninth, fourth and now first in

Outspoken, exasperating and engaging, she is talent unlimited. She could even

Edeno (Swe) bt S Deene (Castle Has), scr. J Heaty (Hua) bt D Griffins (Wentworth), 6 and 4.

different from practising.

The top 16 after today's second round go through to the top flight, of the matchplay stages. The second 16 contest the second flight.

LEADING FIRST-ROUND SCORES: 72: M LEADING FIRST-ROUND SCORES: 72: M McKay (Tumbery): 74: L Neverno (Sp.): 75: V Vignei (Sp.): S Beautel (Sp.): S Gurroy (Fr): 72: G Sarrpson (Cleckheston and District). C Alzelus-Alm (Swe): B Brown (Heawell). M Cosenza (Rt. 77: C Swaithes (Kinge Norton), H Monaghan (Longniddy): 78: P Ecles-Chenne (Ge), T Mengan (Ennis), B Chreten (Fr): 72: P Tacoll (II), K Sweitosch (Ge), T Poulton (Boyce Hill), M Pors (Sp.), C Schmitt (Fr)

technique in young boxers "A lot of young guys seem to know only about offence and

bout with Lennox Lewis in

(GB), 7-5, 6-2
CINCINNATI, Ohio: ATP tournament: First round: T Martin (US) bit S Pescosolicio (It), 6-2, 6-2; S You (Aus) bit ID Narpaso (It), 6-7, 7-5; B (Gibert (US) bit J Shark (US), 7-6, 8-4; J Yzaga (Per) bit K Thome (US), 6-7, 6-3, 7-5; T Woodbridge (Aus) bit GLopez (Sp), 6-0, 6-2; A Mansdort (sp) bit B Shelton (US), 2-6, 6-4, 7-6; F. Pariathery (US) bit A Jenyd (Swe), 6-4, 1-6; 6-1; C Bergstrom (Swe) bit K Curren (US), 8-1, 6-1; C Delather (Pr) bit P McErnos (US), 5-7, 7-5, 7-6, J Cartsson (Swe) bit M Washington (US), 2-6, 5-3, 7-78A), Cell Shark (US), 5-7, 7-6; F. J Cartsson (Swe) bit M Washington (US) PRAGUE: Men's tournement: First nound:
JAppel (Swe) bt C Mezzardi (Switz), 6-3, 46, 6-1; F Krumey (Ser) bt R Viver (Squ.), 6-4,
6, 7-8, F Rinten (II) bt R Viver (Sel), 6-4,
6-7, 1-8, F Rinten (II) bt R Viver (Sel), 6-4,
6-1; V Gabrichitzis (Georgia) bt 7 Guardiole
(Caech), 6-7, 6-2, 7-6; D Rid (C2) bt F
Forlang (Fr), 3-6, 6-2, 6-2.

ATP RANKINGS: 1, J Couner (US), 3,664 ponts; 2, S Edberg (Swe), 3,146, 3, P Sempres (US), 2,630; 4, G Ivanesvic (Create), 2,319; 5, M Cheng (US), 2,078; 6, P Kords (C2), 2,058; 7, B Becker (Ged, 1,985; 8, A Agassi (US), 1,873; 9, M Stich (Gef), 1,699; 10, C Costa (Sp), 1,655

Money witnings: 1, Courier, \$1,334,750, 2, Agesss, \$918,219, 3, Kords, \$899,413; 4, Hensever, \$661,151; 5, Edberg, \$49,834; 6, Shcht, \$691,338; 7, Sempres, \$548,352; 8, Chang, \$542,702; 9, E Sanchez (Spi. \$510,363; 10, Costa, \$497,087 RUGBY UNION

TODAYSFIXTURES

NatWest Bank Trophy Semi-finals 10.30, 60 overs LEICESTER: Leicestershire v Essex EDGBASTON: Warwickshire v North-

Sunday League

2.0, 40 overs CANTERBURY: Kent v Nottinghamshire Tour match One day, 10.45 TAUNTON: Somerset v Pakistania

TAUNTON: Somenset v Pakistania RAPID CRICILLETLINE SECOND XI CHAMPIONSHIP: Busson: Derbyshire v Notinghemshire. Eriflett: Middless: v Essex Guildiord: Surrey v Northamptonshire. Westmiley: Wenwickshire v Somenset Helsesower: Wordestershire v Glamorgan. Elland: Yorkshire v Kanil. MINOR COUNTIES CHAMPIONSHIP: Besponsfeld: Buchnghemshire v Nortok Oswestry: Shropshire v Oldordshire.

FOOTBALL Skol Cup Second round Falkirk v Forfar Hearts v Clydebank... Hibernian v Rauth....... Montrose v Duntenniine. PRE-SEASON MATCH: Enlield

RUGBY LEAGUE SHAUN EDWARDS TESTMONIAL: Wigan v Greet Britain (Centrel Park, 7.30). OTHER SPORT BOWLS: World championships (Worthing) CYCLING: Kellogg's Tour of Break (Middlesbrough to Hull) SPEEDWAY: BSPA Cup: Second round: Swindon v Poole (7 45).

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FOOTBALL PRISSIAN LEAGUE: Group A: Lokomotiv Moscow 0, CSKA 0: VedRowkez 3, Nekhodies 1: Elesterinburg 1, Voronej 0; Ternen 0, Kernychn 2, CSKA 2; Vladikaskez 4; Dynamo Moscow 3, Slamopor 1, Lancing positions: 7, Vacileaskez, 23 ponts; 2, Dynamo Moscow 32; 3, Lotomotiv Moscow, 22; Group B: Asmara I, Spetak Moscow 1; Volgogad 0, Torpedo Moscow 1; Spetak Moscow, 26; 3, Septilak Moscow, 26; 2, Lasting positions: 1, Spetak Moscow, 26; 2, Spetak Moscow, 26; 2, Spetak Moscow, 26; 2, Spetak Moscow, 26; 2, Nijni Mosgood, 22; Latin results; on Monday

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Americal Moscow, 25, 3, Ngiri verigioco. 22.
Late results on Monday
PRE-SEASON MATCHES: Cambridge
United 1, Sheffield United 2: Derby Coursy
1, Meimo 3, Femboroum 2, Boumemouth
1; Harrow Borough 1, Brearford 0; Layton
Orient 1, Crystal Peisce 2; Luton, Town 0,
Queen's Peisk Rangers 0; Norwich 1, Zonit
3; Petersburg 1; Portadown 1, St. Petersburg 1; Portadown 1, St. Petersburg 1; Portadown 1, St. Petersburgh 2, Arsensi 4; Portsmouth 4,
Tottenhem 2, Arsensi 4; Portsmouth 4, BASEBALL

MATIONAL LEAGUSE: Montreal Expos 11. Cheago Cubs 0; Los Angeles Dodger 5; Atissin Bases; 3; San Francisco Gantis 4. Houston Aspon 1; Pritagus Pirases 4, New York Mess 2 (16 inns). AMERICAN LEAGUE: Desot Tiges 10. New York Yankees 5: Toponto Blue Jays 8. Ballmore Orinies 4: Crevelend Indians 8. Boston Red Sox 5; Mannesotk Twins 7: Teas Registres 5: Change White Sox 5. Caldent Athletics 3: Chicago White Sox 5. Caldent Athletics 3: Manualize Bravers 1. Caldent Angels 4

WORTHENG: Woolmich World Chempion-ships: Seventh sound: Palet: Section A: Assistic to Jersey (D. La Maquend and M. Coutouly, 17-18, Guarance (A. Weich and M. Noolle) bi Fig. 23-19; Hong Kong Lt United

States, 21-19: New Zealand bt Cook stands, 30-15: Scotland (R Contile and A Mershall) bt Kerye, 24-15; Weiter (R Weete and W Thomas) bt Japan, 48-8. Section B: Canada bt Trasiand, 42-9. England (J Ottawey and T Alcock) bt Norfolk telend, 29-4; Instand (S Adamaton and S Alam) bt Zambia, 34-18; Mantibis bt Singapore, 29-15; Argarithe bt Papus New Gunnet, 22-12; Zimbalowe bt Swezikard, 33-11. Tifplest Section A: Australia to Gustinery (M Smån, P Ingroutife and K Metfor), 19-14; England (R Cutta, A Thomson and J Bell) bt. Japan, 38-9; Zinnbalowe bt Fill, 14-12; United States bt. Hong Kong, 14-11; New Zealand bt Theisend, 39-6; Botsware bt Swezikard, 17-11. Section B: Ireland (V Dallas, J McCoughin and E Parkinson) drew with Canada, 14-14; Agantina bt Jensey (A Syest, F Hernby and A Cutemand), 29-13; India bt Popus, New Glines, 20-16; Scotland (G Robertson, W Wood and A Stan) bt Norfolk Island, 25-7; Waise (J Price, S Rees and S Wilshipp) bt Cook Islands, 19-11; Zamble bt Kanya, 18-11.

CRICKET MINOR COUNTIES CHAMPIONSHIP: Herdord: Herdordships 179-7 dec and 248-5 dec IM Jernes 108, N Gilbert 65 not cut; Cambridgeshirs 171-6 dec and 221-9 (N T Gadeby 64, N J Adems 69; D M Smith 5-79). Match drawn: Bowdort: Chashies 271-4 dec gr Simmonite 108, 1 Coddosin 79); Chdord-shire 114-8, Match drawn. BARY CLARICSON TROPPLY: Semi-Small The Ovel: Warwiojshite 90; Suzzey 100-4 (A D Brown 66 nd). Suzzey won by 6 wids.

INTER-SERVICES CHAMPIONSHIP. Amy 159-8; RAF 160-1 (Riddell 77, Lumb 67 not out). RAF won by nine wickets. GLIDING ABINGDON, Outordariate, Open Class National Champtonships, Day 2, Actual 319km 5-log poly (2 completions of 48): Windcasped results: 1, J. Gornings, AS-25, 102.1kph, 1,000pts; 2, M Bird, AS-25, 85,85th, 976; 3, C (5/tships, AS-25, 315,66m, 952; 4, A Kay, AS-25, 301,84m, 633; 5, D Hill, LSGC, 299,85m,

883; 5, M Thompson, Nimbus 3T, 298.1km, 876; 7, T Slater, ASH25, 291.4km, 847; 8, M Young, Discus B, 294.6km, 817; 9, J Spencer, DGS00, 279.0km, 783; 10, D fartes/T. Joint, Nimbus 3DM, 272.8km, 784. Currusistive (2 days of 487; 1, A Key, 1,328-pts; 2, lytistion, 1,247; 3, Gorrings, 1,231; 4, Thompson, 1,247; 5, Brd, 1,242; 6, HB, 1,109; 7, Select, 1,073; 8, M Young, 1,006; 9, Innes, 265; equal 10, M Poceraids, ASM22 and H Torode, Kestrel 20, 983. MOTOR RALLYING

STAGES RALLIES: Magheratelt (Northern treland): 1, C Donnelly (Nissan 240RS), 16min 35sec; 2, G McCormack Ford Escort, 16:38: 3, P McCutegh Ford Escort, 16:38: 5,44s (Lete District): 1, 1 dot (Ford Escort, 30min 25sec; 2, N Hutchirson (Maudrall Nova), 38:40; 3, N Chechtern (Sierra Cosworth), 38:49. CRAGANTLET, Northern Ireland: Proteut Petroleum RAC hill climb chemplonahip: 1, D Geos (Pabern), 40,75 sec; 2, J Herrie (SPA-Judd), 40,91; 3, R Lene (Pibeern), 41,22 Leading chemplonship position (either 12 courtes): 1, Lene, 94 pts; 2, Grace, 83; 3, R Turnbull, 72.

ROYAL MID-SURREY, Richmond: British Boy's Championahip: Second mund: First quanter: A Campbel (Ceerlson) bl C Richardson (Bugilier) Parid, al. 20tr. P Wilsten, (Rechoum) bl S Gray (Haystor), 2 and 1; C Lene (Northants County) bt M Harnger (Ger), 5 and 3; 8 Toons (Elesaners) bt J Knight (Sendtond Springs), 3 and 2; R Gillot (Fr) bt T Manwick Case-on-the-Solend), 2 and 1; Y Taylor (Rynnial) bt A Leach (Arcot Helf), at 23rd; I Rowlands (Helby) bt S Ausstratory (Rechy), 2 and 1; I Wesserborg (See) bt 8 Thomion (Cartoos), 5 cr. G Willems (Moodood) bt E Lestend (R), 2 and 1; J Duke (Porters Parid bt C Gibbs (Statiford on Ason), 2 and 1; A Well (Surringdels) bt C Clark (Hagley), 2 holes; R Bain (M45) bt Therete (Ahmouth), 2 and 1; B Devis (East Head) bt D Firmmango (fd, 3 and 2; P

Edetro (Swe) bit S Deenre (Castle Hss), sort J Healy (Hus) bit D Grifflims (Wentworth), 6 and 4.

Second Quarter: J Vaccaye (Sp) bit D Orr (East Rentrewshire), 5 and 3; G Dewiction (Langholm) bit S Teyfor (Hillsche), 6; Debugrange (Fr), 2 holes; P Wilfliams (Ashndge) bit M Request (Sp), 1 hole: C Sands (Pleased) bit M Request (Sp), 1 hole: C Sands (Pleased) bit M Request (Sp), 1 hole: C Sands (Pleased) bit M Request (Sp), 1 hole: C Sands (Pleased) bit M Request (Sp), 1 hole: C Sands (Pleased) bit J Wilson (John O'Geurt), 6 and 4; F Veilors (Sp) bit D Salsbury (Boyce Hill), 1 hole; G Fox (West (Rontre) bit J Res-Nash (Delgary), 2 and 1; D Chester (Solds Pogas) bit J Piepworth (Miday), 3 and 2; F McGarthy (Wellased), 1 hole: S O'Bhen (Wellased) bit D Coyle (Nedderminster), 2 holes: E Brady (Hownh) bit N Tavermer (Wellased), 2 and 1; J Doherty (Worthord) bit A Salto (Sp), 1 hole: Costellano (Sp) bit J Heindolp (Wetherby), 7 and 6, F Kenyon (Hilsude) bit D Coyle (Dundals), 5 and 4; K Pearne (Wetherby), 7 and 6, F Kenyon (Hilsude) bit D Coyle (Dundals), 5 and 2; B Heindolp (Wetherby), 7 hole: G Goodfelow (Cartile), 3 and 1; hid Groot (Heysham), 2 holes: S Quartivon (Heysham), 2 holes: S Quartivon (Heysham), 2 holes: S Quartivon (Balorome (Bingley Si Nes) bit J Cooner (Bandson) bit M Bits (Crohampton), 4 and 2; N Gibson (Spits) by R A Aside (Barassie) bit S Reptould (Pontypodd), 6 and 5; H Hall (West (Chorden)), 4 and 2; Chentert (Lagitscher), 12 hole: S Carthy (Easter) bit J Brandfey (Pastshill Perk), 2 and 1; N Heron (Ashndge) bit S Wilson (Whith), 3 and 2; S Little (Moor Park) bit J Corner (Marker), 14 and 2; Denter (Destator), 4 and 2; Chenter (Destator), 5 and 6; Chenter

(Didabury), 4 and 2.
Fourth quarter: M Lilistone (Cold Ashby) bt D Conwist, (Mellow), 2 and 1; C Benarie (West Comwell) bt 5 Crooks, (Dyke), 1 hole; 3 Donnleon (Gostorin) bt F Hell (West Kabride), 4 and 3; S Webser (Afterstone) bt M Wilson (Cay of Damy), 4 and 3; R Secular (Brannfort) bt P Dennie (Crayfrone), 6 and 5; C Reverto (Fr) bt S Seman (Cingwell), 3

and 2; E Murdoch (Harpendan Common) bt.
E Little (Portpatrick Dunskey), 4 and 3; S.
Devenney (Sinsbene) bt M Deny (Trevdse),
1 hole; C Robinson (Brookimens Park) bt A.
McCornack (Sorabo), 5 and 3; F Bermulez
(SO) b D Lucas (Montsop), 1 hole; G.
O'Fletinery (Cork) bt N. Pelly (Subtoon), 5 and 4; R. Noon (Lytham St. Annes) bt N.
Matchell (Pertrift), 4 and 3; G. Monton
(Rossendele) bt R Ades (O'rest), 3 and 2; C.
Rodges (Royal Mid Surrey) bt S Drumond (Shifmel), at 1981; D Hamilton (East
Herist bt R Price (Montpottischre), 4 and 3.
SONY WORLD RAMONSSS: 1. N. Facio SONY WORLD RANKINGS: 1, N Feldo (GS), 20.34 pts sage, 2, F Couples (US), 16.65; 3, J-M Obzzabal (Sb), 15.22; 4, B Langer (Ger), 13.74, 5, 1 Woosnam (GB), 12.85; 6, G Norman (Aus), 11.29; 7, 5 Ballestarus (Sp), 11.08, 8, F Azinger (US), 10.96; 9, D Love (US), 10.62; 10, T Kite (US), 9.86. REAL TENNIS BALLARAT, Victoria: Bellarat Silver Rack-et: Cuarter-Briels (British unless stated) J Snow fr A Mickeburgh, 6-0, 6-1, 6-2, M Devree is M Hoppel (Aus), 6-3, 6-4, 6-8, 4-P Meseres (Aus) ist G Hyland (Aus), 8-4, 6-2, 6-5; F Erikopolis (Aus) ist R pring-(Aus), 6-4, 6-1, 3-6, 6-4. Semi-fanat Snow bi Devine, 6-1, 4-6, 6-5, 6-5. Meanes fr Filippelli, 1-6, 6-0, 6-4, 6-4. Finat: Snow bi Meares, 6-2, 6-2, 6-4.

Augustralian Open Chemodonships: First round: P Meanes (Aus) br C Sievers (Aus), 6-4, 6-5, 6-1; F Filipels (Aus) br C Sievers (Aus), 6-3, 6-0, 6-1; C Ronshiston br D Wallace (Aus), 6-0, 6-0, 6-2; M Happel (Aus), 16-16, 16-2, M Devine br A Michdeburgh, 6-5, 3-8, 4-6, 6-4, 6-2; G Hyland (Aus) bt J Deny (Aus), 6-0, 8-2, 6-2. TENNIS

MANHATTAN BEACH, California: Worm-en's tournement: First round: R Feitbank-Nidelfar (US) bt. J Halard (Fr), 6-3, 6-2; k Helbaudove (C2) bt. L Giddemester (Pd), 8-1, 8-4; A Dectaume (Fr) bt. A Grossman (US), 6-3, 6-2; P Shriver (US) bt M Werdel

YACHTING TEIGHNMOUTH; Vaux, Mirror National Chempionship: Race 2: 1, D and J Gebhard; 2, L Tumbull and G Toman; 3, C Lynhem and A Nimmo. Race 3: 1, Tumbull and Toman; 2, I and M Capener. 3, D and J Gebhard

TOUR MATCHES: Herere: Zimbabwe 13, Northern Division (England) 26, Witbenk, South Africa: Central Unions 6, New Zestand 39

Premier League sides unsure of new law

Back-pass rule may not be the way forward

FOOTBALL CORRESPONDENT

basses kicked deliberately in their direction has divided football into two schools of thought on the eve of the inaugural Premier League

Graham Kelly, the Football Association's chief executive, revealed yesterday that he had "a lot of reservations" and was convinced to vote for it at the meeting between the home countries and Fifa, football's worldgoverning body, only after "a very long, exhaustive and exhausting debate".

The referees' committee of the FA had agreed with its Scottish and Northern Irish counterparts that the idea should be rejected at a meeting in Newport two months

Kelly, after studying the analyses of an experiment conducted during a youth tournament in Portugal last year, felt that defenders would merely be encouraged to "hoof



the ball into the back of the stands" - which, ironically, could lead to further time being wasted - and that throw-ins would proliferate. He was persuaded to change

Significantly, the presidents of Fifa and Uefa, the game's European governing body, both of whom attended the meeting in Newport, expressed an eagerness to eliminate back-passes as a time-wasting tactic. Only with England's support was the law brought in but a loophole was exposed during pre-season games, particularly in Germany

Inventive tricks, such as flicking the ball up and head-

the next month, £5 million is

to be spent on an intensive

A few years ago, the same sum might have been accept-

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Alan Sugar, a director of

holidays in September.

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Ford plans to sponsor television coverage

By Stuart Jones

FORD, the motor company recently rejected by the squabbling Premier League chairmen as a potential sponsor, is expected to be confirmed today as one of the two backers of BSkyB television's coverage of football over the next five seasons. The other sponsor in the deal is believed to be

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which should simplify matters for referees, but their decisions are bound to provoke controversy, especially over the next David Elleray, the referee

for the Charity Shield match between Leeds United and Liverpool last Saturday, feared that the occasion would be "dreadful because I might have to caution three or four players for ungentlemanly conduct". He said later: "Instead, the law was in part responsible for producing such an exciting game."

If players respond similarly

to the spirit as well as to the letter of the law, the Premier League season promises a new beginning. Games should be more open and domestic defenders might be encouraged to be as constructive as those on the Continent.

Yet Gary Mabbutt, the captain of Tottenham Hotspur, is concerned that Andy Dibble, goalkeeper who broke his leg in Ireland last week, will not be the last to be wounded. Indeed, he feels that managers are likely to include a goalkeeper among the three permitted substitutes

"I think there could be a lot more broken legs among goalkeepers," he said. "It puts them at risk to oncoming forwards and I can foresee a lot of potentially serious injuries." He also thinks that clubs who pursue the long-ball game, such as Sheffield United and Wimbledon, will

The inclination will be to hoof the ball forward rather than using the goalkeeper and playing the ball from the back, as teams like Tottenham prefer to do. It could bring a significant change to the general approach and not necessarily for the good of the

game." It was a view endorsed yesterday by Ray Wilkins, the former England international. "Knowing that goalkeepers cannot pick up the ball from back-passes, forwards will be going in hell for leather and that is bound to cause more injuries," he said. Both Wilkins and his Queen's Park Rangers manager, Gerry Francis, believe it will prompt a significant rise in the

number of bookings and sendings-off. They also expressed sympathy for referees in enforcing the new ruling. Francis said: "It will be very difficult for them. This will create a huge grey area in a game which needs black and white rules for the sake of spectators, players and referees. But in this case where do they draw the line between trickery (un-

gentlemanly conduct) and staying within the laws? For example, it is all right if you head the ball back normally but some referees would regard stooping to head it back as trickery. I also cannot understand that you are allowed to thigh, chest and head it back to goalkeepers but are not allowed to pass it. 'In each case the intent is the same but only one example is punishable."



Agnew answers cry for help

By Alan Lee, cricket correspondent

JON Agnew had expected to be brandishing a microphone in front of Graham Gooch today. Instead, he will be bowling at him as he makes one of the year's most improbable comebacks for the NatWest Trophy semi-final at

Grace Road. In the two years since he retired from playing the game, Agnew, who played three Test matches for England during his 13-season career, has reported it, first for a tableid newspaper and then as BBC radio's correspondent.

With more than a touch of trepidation, natural enough for one whose active cricket has been reduced to the odd charity game, he has answered a distress call from his former county, Leicestershire, and is likely to take the new ball against Essex and the man who made yesterday's radio news by being reappointed England captain for

this winter's tour to India. "I just don't want to look a fool," Agnew said when the die was cast after a morning

net session that finally ruled out both David Millins and Vince Wells from the Leicestershire side seeking to reach the final for the first time. "It

could all go horribly wrong." Gooch will be keen to make sure it does go wrong after a week he will not count among his fondest memories. England lost a Test series despite Gooch while Essex, without him, lost important games in both the championship and

Sunday Léague. The aura of invincibility that so often surrounded Essex in the past has slipped recently and, with both Mark Waugh

and deputy wicketkeeper. On this unpromising material, Leicestershire have built a bid for a championship-NatWest double, a dream which is only now beginning to fade. Serious candidates for

have begun to look vulnerable.

Millns and Wells, the season's

most surprising pair of match-

winners. Millns might have

played for England by now

but for his foot injury, yet two

years ago he was almost

released. Wells came from

Kent, this year, as a batsman

Not so vulnerable, however,

and Neil Foster ruled out of

LECESTERSHIRE: N E Briers (capt), T J Boon, J J Whitaker, P E Robinson, J D R Benson, L Potler, W K M Benjamin, P A Nixon, J P Agnew, G J Parsons, A D Multally. ESSEX: G A Gooch (capt), J P Stephenson, P J Pricherd, N Hussain, Nadeem Shahid, D R Pringle, M A Garrham, T D Topley, A G J Freser, M C lott, P M Such.

honours should not need to At Edgbaston

WARWICKSHIPE: A J Moles, R G. Twose, TA Lloyd (capt), D P Ostler, D A Reeve, T L Penney, N M K Smith, K J Ploer, G C Smarl, A A Donald, T A Munton. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE: A Fordham, N A Felton, R.J Bailey, A.J Lamb (capt), D.J Capel, K. M. Curran, A. L. Penbertry, D. Ripley, C.E.L. Ambrose, J.P. Taylor, N.G.B. Cook. call bowlers out of retirement when as few as two players are injured and their lack of depth

has begun to tell. The Leicestershire club has announced the first sell-out in its history for today's game, but the ground's capacity of 6.500 will be easily exceeded at Edghaston, where the other semi-final will lie between Warwickshire's seam bowlers and Northamptonshire's

Donald, Small, Munton and Reeve comprise the most potent seam attack in county cricket, but they were blumted in last year's semi-final which Hampshire won at a canter - and they could suffer the same fate today. Northamptonshire have long possessed a strong top to their batting order. Now, with Capel, Curran and Ripley following on, they have an enviable depth that may well prove the difference between

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Fletcher welcomes Gooch's captaincy



Fletcher: delighted

paid tribute to Graham Gooch after the England captain had confirmed he would be lead-ing the national side to India and Sri Lanka this winter.

Fletcher, who takes over from Micky Stewart as England team manager next month, said: "Obviously I'm delighted — we are going to be a better side this winter for him being in it." Fletcher, his mentor at Es-

sex for 20 years and his predecessor as the county's captain, has watched with interest the way Gooch, who

has led England in 27 Tests, has made the job his own. Fletcher said: "Graham has

improved every year as a captain since he first did the England job briefly in 1988. That improvement comes because of the greater experience you get from year to year. Tactically, he's improved a lot and his man-management has also got better.

The thing which impresses me most about Graham is how he retains his marvellous appetite for the game and his desire to do well for both Essex and England. That desire is

rather than for himself. "I've always wanted him to come to India so that we could work together — but I've not really put him under that

much pressure." Gooch, 39, can now look forward to starting the three-match India series, scheduled to be in Calcutta, with his hundredth Test cap.

The Lancashire chairman, Bob Bennest, who combined with Fletcher to manage two A team tours, will complete a second successive winter as England tour manager.

Young keeps his fire alight

ATHLETICS CORRESPONDENT IN MONTE CARLO

TEN Olympic champions took the first opportunity available to them of post-Barcelona competition by competing in the Mobil grand prix meeting

here last night.
They included Kevin Young, the only athlete to set a world record in an individual event at the Olympics, and he still had the fire in his belly.

Although Young was almost a second outside the world record of 46.78sec he set for the 400 metres hurdles, he was still comfortably clear of his challengers. Furthermore, he main-

tained his impressive record of being unbeaten in grand prix races this season and of improving his time with each successive appearance. He ran 47.60sec, with Winthrop Graham, of Jamaica, second in

Young will be pleased to have beaten Samuel Matete. the world champion from Zambia, who was disqualified in the finals in Barcelona. There can be no suggestion now that Matete might have won. Kriss Akabusi, the Olympic bronze medal-winner, was sixth in 49.35.

 It. was here two years ago that the Butch Reynolds saga began. Reynolds, the 400 metres world record-holder from the United States, failed a drugs test after competing in pired today had he not contested the findings with the International Amateur Athletic Federation (IAAF), the gov-

eming body. all along that he did not take drugs, took his case to the United States courts and was cleared by the Supreme Court to run in the country's national Olympic trials in June. However, his challenge to the IAAF's authority precipitated an extension to the ban: it announced on Monday that his suspension would be lengthened by more than four

months, to December 31. Primo Nebiolo, the IAAF president, said that allowing one athlete to challenge his organisation's authority in such a way would open the floodgates. The additional punishment has been applied under IAAF Rule 53.1 (VIII). which says that it may declare ineligible any athlete who has "been responsible for any breaches of the rule or other conduct which, in the opinion of the IAAF council, is considered to be insulting or improper or likely to bring the sport into disrepute".

Reynolds was unrepentant on hearing the news. "My lawyers will be very aggressive in response to this and we hope to obtain a resolution." he said. He is seeking \$12 million in compensation.

"I served two years for nothing," Reynolds added. "I ran with the authority of the government and the court system here in the US. The biggest thing is the vindictive part." He said that he would compete on the US indoor circuit next season.

The grand prix final is to be held in Turin on September 4, but the hammer competition will be separated from the main event. It has been scheduled for Brussels on August 28 because the final coincides with the first weekend of the Italian football season; the football clubs, Torino and Juventus, were concerned about potential damage to the pitch they share.

Faldo to tee off in trio of champions

FROM MITCHELL PLATTS **GOLF CORRESPONDENT** IN ST LOUIS, MISSOURI

AFTER the dream team, the dream draw. Nick Faldo, the Open champion, Tom Kite, the US Open champion, and Fred Couples, the Masters champion, have been drawn together for the first two rounds of the US PGA championship, which starts here at the Bellerive Country Club tomorrow.

Faldo enjoys nothing more than to compete in the com-pany of the best. He is, perhaps, the most intimidating player since Jack Nicklaus. His sheer stubbornness, so evident at Muirfield last month, is a trait which even Kite and Couples envy. They grass named Zoysia. The ball

might also eye with some envy the M-85 MacGregor Eye-Orange-Matic driver which

Faldo is wielding. The driver, made in 1952, was acquired by Faldo at the Masters in 1990. He retained the title, but used it in only one other tournament before taking it out of the bag.
Faldo went back to the

driver at the end of last year, put a new shaft in it and found that he could hit the ball 20 yards further than with the metal model he was using. "I call it The Beast," he said. "I also get a much better flight with it and I can carry the ball 260 yards. Driving will be the key this week."

The fairways at Bellerive are

sown with a hardy strain of

the rule rather than the exception, but it will not run as far. Faldo, however, is well aware that accuracy is of paramount importance. The contenders will be those who

remain on the straight and narrow. In that, Bellerive is no different to any other US PGA championship course, because the penal rough is calf-deep soul-destroying. should suit the American challengers," Faldo said. "They see this style of course more often than not."

Faldo is one of 11 European golfers in the field. The others are David Feherty, Anders Forsbrand, David Gilford, Mark James, Bernhard Lang-er, Sandy Lyle, Colin Montgomerie, José-María

might sit up so a perfect lie is Olazábal, Steven Richardson and Ian Woosnam. Severiano Ballesteros has withdrawn. Olazábal did not play between the US Open and the

Open. He is of the opinion

that Ballesteros needs a simi-

lar rest to rejuvenate his spirit Olazábal said that neither he nor Ballesteros would represent Spain in the World Cup in Madrid in November. Faldo, too, has said he will not play. Burch Riber, of the World Cup, said: "It's news to me. There was a logistics problem for Nick because he needs to get to Hawaii for the PGA Grand Slam but we've arranged a jet to take him

Trainer dismissed over Krabbe's drugs case

KATRIN Krabbe's athletics also the club." Traces of the club yesterday dismissed her trainer for giving the double world sprint champion the banned stimulant Clenbu-

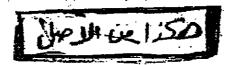
teroL · Thomas Springstein admitted last week that he had bought Clenbuterol on the black market for Krabbe and her teammates, Grit Breuer and Manuela Derr. The drug, used for asthma treatment, is banned by the International Olympic Committee.

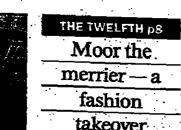
The Neubrandenburg Sports Club said: "Thomas Springstein irresponsibly betrayed his duty as trainer of caring for the athletes under his charge. He thereby not only damaged the athletes but

drug were found after random out-of-competition tests on the athletes in July. Krabbe, who did not go to Barcelona, admitted taking Clenbuterol, but only after her doctor told her that it was not on the banned list. Two British weightlifters were expelled from the Games for using the same drug.

An audience of 13.3 mil-

lion viewers watched Linford Christie win his 100 metres gold medal in Barcelona, the BBC announced today. It was the corporation's third-highest viewing figure of the year, behind the Grand National and the Frank Bruno-José





F&TIMES

Rosie Barnes the rebirth of a campaigner



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Putting it politely, you're wrong

Who will watch a new television quiz on etiquette?

Virginia Ironside

prefers more

modern guidelines to good manners.

aunt at Woman in 1978 I was aston-ished to find, still by ing around in the backs of old drawers, leaflets entitled Etiquette and Manners for Men. There was even one on Laying a Table Where table mats are to be used to protect a polished surface, these can he laid at each place ready for the plate to be put on them," it advised, as if their readers had not a brain to rub between them. And "At breakfast one needs racks for toast and a deep plate with a spoon for cereal if this is to be served"

There was a leaflet called Guest in the House ... "If the offer to help with the washing up is accepted, freshly laundered tea towels. please!".

In my new reign, these were brushed away and I never thought I'd see or hear the like again. But, blow me, if etiquette and manners aren't suddenly news again. Last week Lord Ridley of Liddesdale sounded off on these pages about the general decline in manners (rather rich, some have said, coming from a cabinet minister who served in a government that actually cultivated the very "sod you I'm making money attitude be complains about). And tomorrow there is a new quiz programme on RBC2 called Ps and Qs which addresses just the same arcane issues that I had dismissed so many years ago. "Should a butler have his thumbs on the silver salver he is presenting to you?" "Should you wear a hat and gloves indoors?" "How you pronounce the Duke of Buccleuch?" And so on.

Rachel Purnell, the series director, justifies this arch programme. which features an actor dressed up as a butler and Tony Slattery in i rather ghastly smoking jacket, by claiming that: "In an age when everything is a gamble, you can't afford to make a mistake. A trivial error when you have supper withthe boss could be crucial. For instance, do you take a bottle of wine with you? We wanted to help people and have a bit of fun at the same time."

Sales of etiquette books are doing well - like Debrett's guides to manners, Drusilla Beylus' Modern Manners (two other short versions come out in September) and Moira Bremner's Modern Etiquette and Successful Behaviour.

But Marje Proops of the Daily Mirror has found no increase in etiquette questions in her postbag - and as the grandest old lady of agony aunts, who celebrates her fornieth anniversary in the job this year, she should know. "In the old days people were very anxious, women particularly, about eti-quette. There was a particular hang-up about gloves, too, and I was always being asked whether one should shake hands with them

on or off. "But in the 1960s and 1970swomen experienced a dramatic change in the perception they had of themselves. They began to feel more secure and confident. These days, particularly when they the north, for instance, you are. Then there is: "My daughter left

really are stronger as so many have to be breadwinners, they don't have to make any statement or behave in a certain way. It is only when people are insecure that they worry about whether to call it a napkin or

Ms Beyfus, who was an advisor to the Ps and Qs programme, feels it is the insecurity of the financial situation which explains a renewed interest in manners and etiquette.

"In the 1960s parents dismiss the importance of etiquette in favour of freedom of expression and free speech - admirable, but it left their children wondering where they were. I was in favour of all those reforms and sweeping away of snobbery, but the pendulum swung very far and a re-appraisal of the importance of manners was timely. Particularly now. Because when you are surrounded by great uncertainties you cling to those small areas which you can influence in some degree. That's why, during the war, people still changed for dinner. Of course it didn't matter, but it all suggested control and continuity. "And John Major only had to mention classlessness and suddenly everyone

started thinking about class." Jonathan Meades was the rather refuctant host of one of Ps and Qsteams, ("I only did it for the money") and felt the programme was a missed opportunity. "It ignored the broader topic of current mores and manners. Manners haven't stuck in a rigid code since the 1950s and the situation now is much more interesting but much harder to pin down. The really important point is that society has bifurcated time and time and again and there are so many tribal groups with different sets of manners. In

expected to dress for dinner, in Bristol you're barely allowed to Certainly readers who write in to

me at the problem page of the Sunday Mirror don't ask how to address a duke or distinguish a steak knife from a fish knife. If .anything, the issue now is whether we eat meat or fish at all: rather than which knife we use to eat it with. And no one would ever ask symbols, are now deemed highly There are other women who write

tacky - because they are bad-mannered to animals. And there are new. more general, sodo demand a view on what is the "right" way to go about things. For instance, a mother will write to me saying her daugh-ter is living with her boylinend - and they are coming to

stay. Does she put them in the same or separate rooms? No right or wrong here, as it's her house she can surely put

them where she wants. Then there are the letters about weddings and whether the stepparents should be invited and if so where should they sit, particularly if they all hate each other. One brideto-be wrote saying her father had left when she was two and had only just reappeared vaguely on the scene, extremely offended he was not being asked to give his daughter away. She preferred to be given away by her much more loving step-father. What should she do?

her husband taking her two children with her. We have always got on with him, however, and feel there is always fault on both sides. Is it OK to keep on seeing him?" Of

Liberal 1960s views still confuse girls still find it hard to say no when how mess for sexual intercourse, and I get letters like: "Whenever my ex-husband comes to pick up the children he wants to than a fox - fur-coats, old status- them. Do you think I should?"

The advice

given these

days is to be

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polite to each

other

hoping to save their marriages while their husbands openly continue to have affairs. Without firm guidelines that this sort of behaviour simply is Not On, many women flounder, feeling in some way To be fair, new

books of etiquette do address some of these newer problems - though I've not yet read exactly how you ask a partner to use a condom. "With

sensitivity" isn't quite good enough. Then there are other issues. For instance, since we take miscarriage and stillbirth much more seriously than we used to, do they merit letters of condolence? If you have already splashed out your friend's wedding present, do you have to splash out when he married a second time? What is the correct way to introduce a partner? (Ms Beyfus still says that "boyfriend" "girlfriend" is best, even if their hair is white.) Can you smack another mother's child? Can a girl ask a man out? (Yes, wrote Irma

Kurtz, the agony aunt for Cosopolitan, in answer to a reader. 'After all, men have always risked rejection and now that we're 'liber-

ated' it's our turn.") And what about homosexuals? Should they be given a double-bed when they come to stay with a partner? Should you be offended at a phoned thank-you from a child you have given a present to, rather than a letter? And should vegetaribefore arriving for supper or simply pick at the potatoes and peas when

they arrive? Looking at the broader issue of manners generally, it is the changing fashions in advice on how to live happily with one another that are most interesting.
In the 1970s there was a great

fashion for throwing manners to the wind. The title, the "Me Generation" suggested that thinking about anyone else, the essence of good manners, was ridiculous. Honesty was considered all-important - and for "honesty" you could often read "rudeness".

Almighty rows were thought to be good for marriages, (or partner-ships as we now call them). Without them, they would be "dead".

Now rows are perceived as destructive and bad-mannered behaviour. The advice given these days is to be extremely polite to each other. Make a "space" to sit down and discuss your differences. Allow each other five or ten minutes to express your views and don't interrupt. Whatever you do, keep your temper and try to understand the other person's feelings. Then put your views back to your partner. There is a marvellously stylised way of doing this, according to the books on how to make your partnership work, which involves

using extremely mannered sentences on the lines of: "I understand that you are angry . . . " or "l accept that you feel jealous. "It would have made me feel less worried had you rung up and told me you would be four hours late". The counsellors haven't actually yet suggested you say these things wearing gloves and a hat but sometimes you feel the gear can't be far behind. And "assertion", that ing your views felt without losing your temper or making the other

person feel like a lowly worm, is another example of the increase in people's search for good manners. Sexual equality, men doing their share of the chores (even though in

most cases this is only a theory), political correctness which encour-ages us to consider the feelings of minority groups, concern about the right to keep animals in zoos and the Children Act, which encourages children to be treated with more consideration - all these seem to

We are striving, even if unsuccessfully, to treat each other more decently. We may not worry so much about whether we put our hands in front of mouths when we yawn, or whether we pronounce Covent Garden as Cuvent or not, but we do try to consider other people's feelings more.

NICK MALAND.

People are surely not interested in the arcane and snobbish eti-But there are new social situations that require guidelines: and looking at manners in a much broader sense, we are surely all much more interested than we used to be in the kind of behaviour that makes life easier and pleasanter for all of us.

TOMORROW

An audience's view of Edinburgh and other British festivals

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Barm cakes are a girl's best friend

hen Raoul Fitzgerald Hernandez O'Flaherty, the hot-blooded Irish Argentinian international polo ace, called me up on Friday from his helicopter, begging me to join him on a weekend trip to Palm Beach, I admit I was slightly taken aback. This is a bit irregular. I thought I had planned a nice weekend rearranging my dried fruit collection and mending my string bag, and now here was Randy Raoul hovering spectacularly over my front garden, showering emerald trinkets into my bird-bath, and demanding by loud-hailer that I go and inspect some new ponies.

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M. Jugan

Of course I became an expert on horse-flesh years ago, when I avidly consumed books such as Jill Enjoys:
Her Ponies. Also, I spent many
childhood Sunday afternoons
"treading in" (stamping on divots)
between chulkas at a nearby polo cith. Yet I had a strange feeling that it was my body, not my equine expertise, that Raoul was really after. The O'Flaherty triplets are all notorious womanisers, but Raoul is the best lover of the three, ranked number eight in the world! Raoul clearly wanted to pluck me from my flat, lavish all sorts of sexual attention on me, drive me wild with jewels and frocks, and drop hilari-obliged to disguise her reactions for the benefit of the husband (not rich,

goal-scoring. What on earth was a

gird to do? Well, the string bag is much better now, you will be relieved to bear. The currants are tucked in neatly behind the prunes. But I am seriously wondering what to do with this copy of Jilly Cooper's Polo, which seems to be the source of the trouble. What do other women do in these circumstances? As a mere novice to the so-called bonk-buster novel (obliged to read Polo for purely professional reasons) I had purery professional reasons) I had no idea it would fill my world with rich good-looking blokes with brown strong arms and cheque-books akimbo. I poke through my jewellery and can't believe my eyes. What, no perfect eneralds, gift of an infatuated millionaire? No diamonds? How can it be true that my only ring is the one I bought for a fiver in a place called Mousehole? Thank goodness the Freudian hey-

day is a thing of the past. Of course I am not the ideal reader for a bonk-buster novel. because I am not married, I am free to get excited in the polo tournament bits ("Come on, you brave little poniest") and to salivate openly during the sex scenes, whereas the target reader will be a married woman on a beach somewhere,

SINGLE LIFE

Lynne Truss prefers buns for tea to life



not handsome, and can't tell a divot from a hole in the ground). While reading, she controls her breathing, tries not to perspire too visibly, and occasionally breaks off during a particularly juicy bit to say offhandedly "Not very good, this, actually", before plunging back again and memorising the page

number for later on. For me personally, on the other

hand, Polo recalled all those Jill

and Her Ponies books I used to read when I was ten. Who will win the silver cup? Will the pony rescued from cruelty turn into the best little pony in the world? This jolly gymkhana stuff made me feel quite young again, but it also made me wonder whether the MI in question grew up to become Jilly in later life. It is not impossible. After all, the fictional Jill's mother was a writer - but an unsuccessful one who dearly overlooked the bankable nature of her own daughter's pony-mad activities. Poor Jill was obliged to wear second-hand jodhpurs to the Pony Club Gymkhana, which is just the sort of indignity (in bonk-busters, anyway) that makes an ambitious girl grow up aching for a shot at some serious dosh.

I am not sure, in retrospect, that we were supposed to despise Jill's mum for being a hopeless bread-winner. In fact, I used to think it was sweet that when the pig-tailed fill came home on summer afternoons - all dusty from a hack on Black Boy, all worried about where the next curry-comb was coming from - there would be Mother, leaning out of the window of their little cottage, excitedly waving a small piece of paper. "A cheque!" she would yell. "I've sold a story in London!" And my heart would to call, perhap leap. "Saddle up Black Boy again, large mistake.

Jill," Mother would say. "Today we'll have buns for tea!" Such innocence. It makes you feel all old and jaded and peculiar. True, I always shout "Burns for tea!" when a cheque arrives in the post, but it is heavily ironic, since I know perfectly well that the money will only service the overdraught, or go half-way towards some car insurance (buns doesn't come into it). But I prefer the world of "Buns for tea!" to the casual purchase of Renoirs and Ferraris to be found in Polo. Cream puffs evidently mean nothing on the international polo circuit; teacakes make them laugh. I think this is why, in the end, I

turned down Raoul's tempting offer of the Palm Beach trip. So what, if these polo people are good at jewels and orgasms, if they are blind to the value of an honest barm cake? Of course, memory may be playing tricks here perhaps Jill and her mum sang Diamonds Are A Girl's Best Friend in the evenings, while flipping through glossy magazines for pictures of rich people. Perhaps they would have killed for a chance to fly off to the world of Cartier and great sex. leaving the second-hand jodhpurs in a heap on the ground. In which case, when Raoul O'Flaherty came to call, perhaps I made a rather

BBC PROMS 92: The 8BC Philharmonic performs Rosum's William Tell Overture, Britten's Piano Concerto (with the young Norwegian Leil Ove Andsnes as solvest) and Shostakovich's Symptony No 15 Sir Edward Downes

conducts
The late-night concert brings the first
Ur performance of Peter Scutthorpe's
Lanent ior Strings, which leatures in a
programme of Haydn (Cello Concerto in mains) and Mozast ("amphony No. 40) performed by the Australian Chamber Orchestra (for whom Scultingrpe's work was written under lichard Hickox. Steven lissens is the loloist in the Haydh. Note that the Concert starts at 100m

Royal Afbert Hall, Fersington Gore, London SW7 (071-825 9998), 7.30pm ROMEO AND JULIET: English National Ballet is offening the rare chance to see Astron's cooler, more lynical version of the Bard's tragedy. A week of

performances also presents an opportunity to see some line dancers in epportunity to see Soute fine trainers in the leading roles, waich out particularly for losephine Jewkes and Tim Almass (tonight and Fr) Festival Hall South Bank, London SE) (071-928 8800) Tonight-Sat, 7 30pm, mats today, Sat, 2,30pm.

GEORG BASELITZ — PRINTS 1964-90: When he's not attacking the canvas or gouging out limewood for his culptures this important contemporary Serman artist enjoys aggressively tutting into the kno blod, or etching the cutting into the aind block or electing the metal plate to create some arresting prints. This survey of his graphic work takes us from his earliest images of shattered body parts to his Stries prints leaturing warners with paintbrushes and latterly his senal works.

☐ ABSENT FRIENDS: Ayckboum's bleak yet comic case-study of modern mamage subtile, shrowd and defith acted (Gary Bond, Suse Blaller, Lyric Hammersmith, Fing Street, W6 (GB1-741 2311) Mon-Sat, 7 45pm, mats Wed, 2 30pm, Sat, 4pm. 120mins.

& AS YOU TIKE IT: Some nice touches a. As YOU LIFE ITS one not coun-animate the love grones in Maria Atten's straightforward production. Open Air, Regent's Park, NW1:071-486 24311 Tonight, tomorrow, Spm. mat today, 2,30pm, 180mins.

C DEATH AND THE MAIDEN: 4nel Control of the Maderia and Dortman's scorcing psychological drama on the longing for revenge Permy Downe, Danny Webb and Hugh Ross make up the new cast Duke of York's, St Martin's Lane, WCC 1071-836 5722 Mor-Sat, Sommats Thurt, 3pm, Sat, 4pm, 120mms.

Si GRAND HOTEL: Musical barley sugar, Berlin in the Twenties.
Sentimental, American, entertaining,
Dominion, Tottenham Court Poad.
W1 (071-580 9562) Mon-Sat, Sprin,
mats Thurs, Sat, 2 30pm, 120mins

☐ FROM A JACK TO A KING: Witty and stylish version of Macbeth's dimb to the top, set in the world of rock bands and styling for the styling f and packed with Suries songs Ambassadors, West Street, London WC2 (071-836 6111), Mon-Thurs, 15pm Fri and Sat, 5 30pm and 5 F0pm 120mms.

THE MADNESS OF GEORGE III: sincken jung in Alan Bennett's ntinguing, stightly puzzling play National (Lyttelton), South Bank, SE1

THE MASTER AND MARGARITA: Crisp performances and scenic verve in a four Corners production of Bulgal ov's cult novel. Aimeida, Almerda Street, N1 (071-359 4404) Mon-Sar, 8pm, mat Sai, 4pm, 140mins, Final week

In MOTHER TONGUE: Uneven but amusing vehicle for Prunella Scales as a recripulative mother in Alan Franka's new play, directed by Richard Control. Greenwich, Croom's Hill, SE10 (061-858 7755). Mon-Sat. 7,45pm, mat Sat. 2,30pm, 135mins. MURDER BY MISADVENTURE:

wicked wits against each other run-of-Vaudeville, Strand, WC2 (071-836 9987) Mon-Sal, Spm, mats Thurs, 2 30pm, Sal, 5 30pm, 120mins

NEW RELEASES

DAYDREAM BELIEVER (15) Horse-mad girl crosses parks with a rock entrepreneur with a stud farm. Hugely looksh Australian romantic cornedy. Miranda Ono, Martin kemp, director, kathy Mueller MGM Chelsea (071-352 5096) MGM

THE DISCREET CHARM OF THE isoundsectists (15), for well-needs in finence in search of an uninterrupted meal Bunuel's marvellously amusing 1972 sature, rewired with so other fill by the master of screen surrealism Fernando Rey, Stephane Audran, Barbican (071-638 8891).

◆ FERNGULLY: THE LAST RAINFOREST (U) Bland, unimaginative curtion feature with an impeccable green message Director, Bill Froyer. MGM Cheksea (071-352 5096) MGM Tottenham Court Road (071-636 6148) Odeon Kensington (0426 914666) Odeon West End (0426 915574) UCI Whiteleys (071-792 2222) ◆ FERNGULLY: THE LAST

MASALA (18): Dishevelled satincal fantasy set in Toronto's Indian community. With Saeed laffrey idelightful in three rolest; writerdirector, Snowas Firshna Metro (071-437 0757) CURRENT

 BATMAN RETURNS (12), Quality but ho-hum sequel, best when the spotlight falls on Michelle Pfeiffer's

TODAY'S EVENTS

A daily guide to arts and entertainment compiled by Kari Knight

Tate Gallery, Millbank, London SW1 (071-821 1313), Mon-Sat, 10am-5.50pm, Sun 2-5 50pm, until Nov 1 SOVEREIGN: Desorte roval discouragement for any loo lawsh celebration of the Oueen's 40th year on the throne, the V&A has made this the subject of its principal summer exhibition. The main focus is the Oueen's changing image since 1952 There are also some more old-tashior portraits, senous and carroon, and portions, serious and country, and newtably coronation robes Victoria and Albert Museum, Cromwell Read, London SW7 (1071-933 8361). Mon-Sat, 10am-5 30pm, Sun, midday-5 30pm, until Sept 13.

CLARE MARTIN: The dynamic jazz vocalist can wrap her voce around intelligent interpretations of Cole Porter and other standards. Hamilton Place, London W1 (071-409 3131), 9pm

Moreira, the guru of Brazilian percussion music and founder member of Weather Report, creates intricate rhythms and textures using a wide assortment of odd-shaped and dates comode with the release of a new CD. The Other Side Of This. Rora Punm's band makes up the bill.

THEATRE GUIDE

Jeremy Kingston's assessment of theatre showing in London

House full, returns only Some seats available

MO REMISSION: Mobil poze-

winning play by Rod Williams: three lifes are thrown together during a prison not. Cripping, psychologically acute and binnill of slangy dialogue Lyric Studio Hammersmith. King Street, W6 (081-741 8701). Mon-Satt Rom, mat St. 4, 3 (30m. 150ms; En.

8pm, mat Sat, 4.30pm 150mms. Final

PHILADELPHIA, HÈRE I COMÈ!

By Principles affectionate comedy of an Insh enugrant and his carping after ego. A revival to be cherched Wyndham's, Channg Cross Road, WCZ (071-867 1116). Mon-Fin, Spin, 53-8 15 Energy W. Med. Jam. 5-8

Sat, 8 15pm, mats Wed, 3pm, Sat. Spm 120mins.

E-PYGMALION: Alan Howard, Frances Barber in a Howard Davies production that some admire greatly while others feel subordinates the text

National (Olivier), South Bank, SE1 (071-928 2252) Tonight, tomorrow, 7 15pm, mat tomorrow. 2pm. 195mms,

☐ ROMEO AND JULIET: Michael

SHADES: Pauline Collins form

SIX DEGREES OF SEPARATION:

Stockard Channing as the nch New Yorker transfigured by a black con artist in John Guare's fine play on

human meer-dependence.
Comedy, Panton Street, SW1 (071-867 1045) Mon-Sat, 8pm, mats Wed, 3pm and Sat, 4pm, 90mms

E SOMEONE WHO'LL WATCH OVER ME: Excellent playing by Alec McCowen, Hugh Quarshie and Stephen Rea as Beirut hostages in Frank

McGunness's new play. Hampstead, Swess Cottage Centre,

CINEMA GUIDE

Geoff Brown's assessment of

films in London and (where indicated with the symbol ◆) on release across the country

electrifying Catwoman, Michael Leaton, Danny DeVito: director, Tim Burton Camden Parkway (071-267 7034) Empire (071-497 9999) MGM Baker Street (071-935 9772) MGM Pulham Road (071-370 2636) MGM Oxford Street (071-636 0316) MGM

Street (071-636 0310) MGM Trocadero (071-434 0031) UCI

BELLE DE JOUR (18): Bunuel's 1967 dassa: about the adventurous librido of a bourgeois write (Catherine Denseuve). Cool and compelling in a sparkling new print, Jean Sorel, Michel Piccoli Barbican (071-638 8891) MGM Swiss

FAR AND AWAY (12) Tom Cruse and Nicole kidman flee from Ireland to America. Lumbering immigrant epic with pretty pictures but no punch Director. Ron Howard Barbican (071-638 8891) Camden Parkway (071-267 7934) Empire (071-497 9999) MGM Baker Street (071-935 9772) MGM Fufham Road (071-370 2631)

Whitelevs (071-792 3332)

Centre (071-439 4470).

MY COUSIN VINNY (15)

Maloney and Clare Holman in David

Leveaur's fairly ordinary production Barbican, Sili Street, EC2 (071-638)

8891) Tonight, tomorrow, 7.15pm, mat tomorrow, 2pm. 195mins.

between her child, mum and maniners between her critin, mum and maintened in Sharman Macdonald's disappointing new play, only sporadically absorbing Albery, St Marrin's Lane, WC2 (071-867 1115) Mon-Sat, Born, mats Thurs, 3pm, Set, 4pm 120mins

☐ Seats at all prices

NW3 (071-722 9301). Mon-Sat, 8pm, mat Sat, 4pm. 140mins.

☐ STRAIGHT AND NARROW: Nicholas Lyndhurst, Neil Daglish and Carmel McSharry in Idreable cornedy about a doting mother's womes,

El THE VIRTUOSO: Shadwell's
Restoration cornedy of bad behaviour in
the home of a biambling savant,
directed with verice by Phyllida Lloyd.
The Pft, Barbican Centire, Silk Street,
EC2 (071-638 8891), Tonight,
tomorrow, 7.15pm, mat tomorrow,
2pm 165mins.

Wed, Sat, 2.30pm 165mms

☐ The Woman in Black: Fortune (071-836 2238). of West End Theatre

NIGHT ON EARTH (15): Five tragi-Nearl ON EARTH (15): He trag-come encounters in five night-time taws Uneven but amable lim Jamusch compendium Roberto Benigni, Gena Rowlands. Camden Plaza (071-485 2443) Gate (071-727 4043) Limilère (071-836 0691) MGM Fulham Road (071-370 2636)

THE PLAYER (15) Dazzling satire on Hollywood, directed by Robert Allman from Michael Tolkin's novel. Tim.

evening concert in Stevenson Hall 17.30pm) is given by the Parislan vocal ensemble A Ser Voci performing a Mass by Juan de Anchieta and motets by

by Man de Antoneso and Joseph Discoun des Prez. RSAMD (Box office, 041-332 5057),

Ronnie Scott's, 47 Frith Street, London W1 (071-439 0747), 8.30pm.

A NIGHT AT THE COTTON CLUB: A recreation of the famous all-singing, all-dancing show of the Thirties jazz era

daring show the Initial Jazz eta brings together The Jiving Lindy Hoppers, the Harry Strutters Hot Rhythm Orchestra and Guests Lillian Boutte and Vernet Bagners. Barbitan, Salk Street, London EC2 (071-638 8891), tonight-Sat, 7.45pm

BT SNAPE PROMS 92: Tonight, Blues

Angels trace the history of pazz and blues with a show featuring the music of Fitzgerald, Holiday, Franklin and

Simone; tomorrow brings a Celtic folk. programme from the Boys of the Lough;

and on Friday plans, Mick Hyman plays a jazz programme. The highlight of the week is Saturday's concert by the Danish Radio SO, under Dright Kitaenko.

performing a programme of Tchakovsky: Restruct Overture, Violan Concerto in D (with Nikolai Madayan

and Symphony No 1
Snape Concert Hall, Aldeburgh,
Suffolk (0728 453543), eves, 7 30pm

GLASGOW INTERNATIONAL EARLY

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MUSIC PESTIVAL: Cantus Serenus from
Pomania begin today's concerts in the
Stevenson Hall (12.45pm) with a
programme including Transylvanian
composers of the 17th and 18th
centuries, Scotland's Complete
Barcque plays sonates by C.P.E. Bach,
Purcell, Geminiani and Gottfried Keller
in Pollob Country Park (3pm); and the
evening concert in Stevenson Hall

☐ THE SOUND OF MUSIC: Nurs, Nazs, squeaky-dean tots and drops of golden sun. a sweet holiday from the real world. With LE Robertson and Chestenber Charges. Christopher Cazenove Sadler's Wells, Rosebery Avenue, EC1 1071-278 8916) Tues-Sat, 7 30pm, mats Tues, Thurs, Sat, 2 30pm.

notably her gay son, Aldwych, Aldwych WC2 (071-836 6404) Mon-Sat, Bpm, mats Wed, 3pm, Sat, 5pm 130mms

CI A WOMAN OF NO IMPORTANCE: Philip Provide's triumphant RSC production John Carlisle as a callous anstocat in Wide's social melodrama laced with with the Royal, Haymarket, SWI (071-930 8800), Mon-Sat, 7.30pm, mats Wed Sat, 7.30pm, 155mpt.

LONG RUNNERS: Blood Brothers: Phoenix (071-867 1044) Buddy: Victora Palace (071-834 1317) Carmen Jones: Old Vic (071-928 7619) Carts: New London (071-Clarmen Jones: Old Vic (071-928
7616). S Carts: New London (071-495 6072). Danning at Lughmasa: Gamd. (071-494 5085)
Don't Dress for Dinner: Apolio (071-494 5070). An Evening With Gary Lineker: Duchess (071-494 5075). Five Guys Named Moe: Lync (071-494 5045). Good Rockin' Tonite: Prince of Wales (071-839 5971). Asseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat: Palladium (071-494 5037). Me and My Girl: Adelphi (071-836 7611). Les Miserables: Palace (071-434 0909). Mess Saigon: Theatre Royal, Drury Lane (071-494 5400). The Mousetrap: St Martin's (071-836 1443). The Phamtom of the Opera: Her Majesty's (071-494 5400). Return to the Forbidden Planet: Cambridge (071-379 5:99). Starlight Express: Apollo Victora (071-828 8665). The Woman in Bladic Fortune (071-836 2228).

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defending a murder charge down South Uncertain comic vehicle for Joe Pess; bright support from Mansa Tomer, Fred Gwynne Director, Jonathan Lynn, MGM Chelsea (071-352 5096) MGM Tottenham Court Road (171-636 6143) Odeons: Kensington (0476 6143) Odeons: Kensington (0426 914666) West End (0426 915574) UCI

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The impotence of being earnest

Hush Royal Court

OH NO, not another well-meant play in which a cross-section of our contemporaries falteringly confront the woes of a Britain that has lost its socialist ideals! Were the Court to print a summary of April de Angelis's plot in its programme, there would be an exodus from the theatre before the lights had gone down. Yet everybody on opening night stayed put. At best, there is a quirkiness, an oddball humour in de Angelis's writing which lifts character above the formulaic and situation above the predictable.

A year ago Jo swam out to sea and drowned, ending a life her right-wing sister says was spent on "endless committees, secondary picketing and pinning nappies to the wire at Greenham". The suspicion is that her death was deliberate, the result of a mental chaos caused by political despair. At any rate, she left behind 17 empty cans baked beans in her washing machine and a 15-year-old daughter troubled enough to risk being impregnated by the crazy young tramp who lives on the local beach.

For de Angelis and her director, Max Stafford-Clark, these last two people are key questions in an ontological exam for the socially conscious. Rosa (Dirvla Kirwan) broods, scowls and looks embryonically psychotic. Dogboy (Andy Serkis) justifies his name by turning up at the door naked, streaked with mud, and snapping at passing trouser legs. What is to be done with the self-destructive girl and the homeless human mongrel? Which of the exemplary characters onstage passes the test they jointly pose?

The answer is none. Not Rosa's New Age friend (Debra Gillett) with her dreams of relocating in Tibet. Not Jo's communist lover (Will Knightley) who seems more interested in stopping people drinking politically incorrect coffee than in addressing their troubles. Not the liberal writer (Stephen Dillane) who once wrote what the critics called "a refreshing look at famine" and vaguely hopes his trite



Dogboy (Andy Serkis, left), with Tony (Stephen Dillane), Denise (Debra Gillett) and Rosa (Dervla Kirwan) in April de Angelis's Hush at the Royal Court. Drawing by Bill Hewison

novels will change the world. And certainly not Jo's sister Louise (Marion Bailey), friend of "the people who have normal, decent lives and are not hiding in useless dreams or indulging in half-

baked acts of atonement". Sally Jacobs's set blends beach and living-room, so that a wall doubles as the cloud-capped sea, and the ducks pinned to it are simultaneously natural creatures and plaster decorations. At times the play, too, seems marooned somewhere between the real and the symbolic. At what level are we sup-posed to believe the scene in which, address a tree planted in memory of Jo. There are some nice, edgy encounters between Louise and a novelist increasinstead of doing the obvious thing and ingly sure that she secretly despises his phoning the police, Louise persuades work. There is exchange after exthe aspiring novelist to tie up the whimpering and still naked Dogboy? Yet de Angelis's whimsical side is one of her strengths. In her handling of incident and dialogue, she displays a

change which demonstrates de Angelis's grasp of language. Next time, perhaps the same originality will extend to overall theme and plot. Then we might have a play to genuine talent for the unexpected, as well as a feel for human absurdity.

BENEDICT NIGHTINGALE

THEATRE: FRINGE

There is, for instance, the scene in

which everybody is solemnly asked to

Muffled, muted echoes of Ibsen Voice of the Sea

Lilian Baylis

Louisa Spicer as Edna, the wife who takes a lover, eventually

THERE seems to be a fashion in

orchestral music at the moment for

easily assimilated music that might not

stand much repetition if put to the test. James MacMillan's Proms commis-

sion, a 25-minute percussion concerto

called Veni. Veni. Emmanuel, which

was given its premiere on Monday by

the superb Scottish Chamber Orches-

tra under Jukka-Pekka Saraste (stand-

ing in for Sir Charles Mackerras).

might be such a case. MacMillan has

the ability to compose music of rare

substance, concentration and beauty.

but his current fluency seems to have

temporarily removed some of his

Emmanuel there is much to commend.

MacMillan excels in writing fast,

rhythmic and sometimes violent

music, and he handles the orchestra

Yet on the surface of Veni, Veni,

KATE CHOPIN's novel The Awakening was thought strong stuff in 1899. Shocked American comment called it immoral and unhealthy. As a curiosity, Amy Finegan's dramatisation, shortly off to Edinburgh, is welcome; though the proceedings are as chaste as kneelength bathing drawers. The heroine, Edna Pontellier, is

French Creole/Kentucky Presbyterian. A summer holiday on the Gulf of Mexico is the Road to Damascus for the respectable businessman's dutiful wife. The novel apparently conveyed her attraction to the landlady's son in steamy terms. Theatrically it amounts to strolling around with an attentive young man who, in Steffyni Rigold's production, shows no more interest in her than the other ladies he politely scuttles after.

Given the lack of electricity in this crucial relationship, we take Elinor's resolution on trust. It begins with her sitting out all night and ignoring her husband's invitation to bed. taking painting lessons, going to the races and, when the long-suffering and

afterthought she takes a lover. Meanwhile, young Robert, who guiltily fled his illicit passion, returns from Mexico and declares himself. Here the writing comes into its own, with Edna confessing her love but rejecting his old fashioned code of

unstinting spouse is away, giving

dinner parties for literati. Almost as an

honour, a code that includes marriage. A refusal to be treated as someone else's property recalls Nora in A Doll's House, and another Ibsen heroine is conjured up by the husband's astonished cry that "people don't do such things" - the echo recurs as Edna

finally wades out to sea. The newly formed Patois Theatre Company shows promise rather than fulfilment. Louisa Spicer obviously has the intelligence for Edna, who needs more varied development. Diederick Santer's comely Robert is an assured portrait, and Barry Shannon's alternate kindness and exasperation as Edna's husband are good enough to make us want more of this infuriatingly sketchy character.

MARTIN HOYLE

PROMS

Struck by easy listening

with an impressive confidence. writing idiomatically yet vividly. Moreover, his

lines have clear direction and his structure is equally admirably lucid; and spiritually unifying theme the chant of its title, eventually exposing it this work consists of five strongly defined sections. Blessed here with the corny-sounding chorale. The work's formidable Evelyn Glennie as his soloist. MacMillan seized with relish the opportunity to show what he - and she - could do with all manner of percussion, demanding extremes of virtuosity, if too often also of louder

dynamics. Being an "exploration of the theol-

ogy behind the Ad-SCO/Saraste vent message", the Albert Hall/Radio 3 new concerto exploits as a musically

in full in the fourth section as a slightly her own increasingly frantic peal: the piece was finished on Easter Day. What worries me is that MacMillan

final climax, meanwhile, has the entire orchestra "taking a liturgical detour", laying down its normal instruments and taking up an Easter paean of bells. overlooked by the soloist rejoicing in

rather than how to get inside minds. and to that end he often descends into something close to unthinking ritual. The notes of the chant sung in the liturgy to the words "Gaude. Gaude" are repeated in the central slow section ad nauseam, for instance, and his machine-like hockets and other rhythmic games are simply selfperpetuating.
Before this work, Saraste conducted

asks himself how to prick up ears

Sibelius's pale incidental music for Pelléas and Mélisande, a bright. intelligent account of Beethoven's First Symphony, and, with Kathleen Kuhlmann's robust mezzo-soprano, 2 couple of irrelevant extracts from Rossini's Semiramide and La donna

STEPHEN PETTITT

ENTERTAINMENTS

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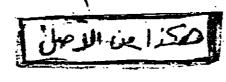
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All human life is briefly there

Should soap operas deal with social problems? Jane Hardy looks at how television favourites interpret reality for viewers

characters' labels come on the outside. "Homeless ternager". "Aids sufferer", "token racist". these are the kind of stereotype ssue television is where the figures introduced into drama senes simply so that a topical issue can be tackled. The Americans began it, with such impeccable exercises in social awareness as Hill Street Blues, LA Law and Cagney and Lacey. But British radio (with The Archers) is well-practised, and television is catching on fast. simply so that a topical issue can be

In a way, it goes back to Dickens, who was backing out chapters of The Old Curiosity Shop for an addicted readership, much as scriptwriters work on the "rape three-hander" or the "priest and girlfriend" storyline today. Like an EastEnders scriptwriter, Dickens knew his issues — gambling, the plight of the young carer — and how to sustain interest by dramatic scenes. And since the Death of Little Nell we've watched some corkers: the death of little Gill (from Aids, in EastEnders); the amoutation of adulterous Don (his foot, in Coronation Street); Derek's flight from the arms of the Church to the arms of Margaret (Brookside).

Cynicism about the motives of the scriptwriters is perhaps misplaced—although, refreshingly, Mal Young, producer and planner with Phil Redmond of Brookside, admits that the fact that the Barry Grant character was known not to be character was known not to be leaving the soap helped stimulate publicity when he was suspected of committing murder. "We played a whodunit," he says, "and used it to our advantage."

In any case, the scriptwriters mainly resist — with a quality display of flannel — the notion that they are issue-television writers. Deborah Cook, Eastenders' most eminent writer, who was given the Aids death scene assignment (and did it well, adapting some last words from her heroine Edith Sitwell), says issue television should not exist. Then, several breaths later, she mentions she would love to introduce child abuse into Albert Square. But I'd only do it if the right

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character-led." Via the greedy young

entrepreneur Ian? "No, he's too important; people love to hate him."

Of the American soaps, the only one she has so far liked was Hill Street Blues: "Precisely because it stood issues nearly on their head.

Neighbours I find ourrageous,
because of the way it suggests a
serious problem like tranquilliser. abuse can be solved in three epi-sodes. It's introduced in one epi-sode, peaks in the second and is solved, usually by a character talking to Helen, in the third."



Deborah Cook, scriptwriter for EastEnders: "Everyone gets his or her comeuppance"

Adele Rose, a writer on Coronation Street since the Sixties (she got in because of a writing partnership with Jack Rosenthal), is equally defiant. "I hope we never do issue telly. We're interested in characters, and never say at writers' meetings 'Oh, we must do Aids' or 'we must do racism'." That could be one reason why those topics will not be making

Weatherfield headlines soon. Asked whether the Street might one day include a gay character, Rose said: "If there was a new character and it was appropriate for them to develop that way . . . but we really don't want to ram social concerns down people's throats." She feels you can tell issue television character was there; it has to be by the speed with which a topic is

dropped, once it has produced higher audience figures. Yet some Street characters do seem more emblematic than flesh and blood. The moment poor Ted, Rita's latest husband, appeared on someone's notebook, he was doorned, "Oh, we knew he was going to die," says Rose, airily. "We didn't want too much of a happy ending — he definitely won't be going to Lourdes. We wanted some-thing for the actress to get her teeth into. What we did not say was 'Let's deal with death: give Ted a brain

There are, as Cook suggests, real dangers in tackling serious topics in half an hour. The soaps reach, perhans, 14 million viewers - more when there is a good crisis up to 16 million for Gill's death. The influence on them is immense. Members of the public still try to rent houses or get jobs on the Street. It is an adjunct to, even a substitute for, life. And if real life is short, soap life

(and art) is shorter. Twenty-four minutes per show, on commercial ITV. But the time-scale of an important story can stretch — in the case of Coronation Street, stretch over decades. That is why Rose claims it has the rhythms of real life, with losers becoming winners in time. Vide Mavis. Mal Young of Brookside feels you should not leave a significant piece of plot too quickly. because that is cheating. "Our character with breast cancer is going to be affected by this for a long time. People write in saying 'Oh, it's too gloomy, but we don't, unlike some soaps, deal with something, then tidy it out of the way. That's not like

Messy life is the model for Brookside, the show originally billed as a "continuing drama series". Brookside goes in for four-walled super-realism, presumably even bet-ter than Strindberg's three-walled stage version. The programme-makers can shoot in the real bedrooms or bathrooms. As Young lyrically puts it: "We had Owen sitting on the bath, she was on the toilet seat, and you got these echoing bathroom acoustics: very domestic." Brookside also offers a different



Dickensian echo: The dying Gill (Sue Dawson), visited by Mark (Todd Carty) in EastEnders

soaps. "We don't suspend the reality," says Young. That means not suspending the amorality either. Traditional soap morality involves bringing forward Judgment Day.

s Cook says: "Everyone gets his or her comeup-pance, which is why Pat or Frank or Ian couldn't be involved in child abuse. They'd have to go." Adele Rose agrees, citing the fact that the Street's McDonald twin was in trouble with the police for having handled stolen car radios, rather than actually stealing them, which would have been that muchg

But such caution is not the norm

moral structure from the other in Brookside Close, which had its murderer on the loose and has allowed a depressed mother to abandon her baby. Shaun Duggan, aged just 20, was the new writer given the postnatal depression epi-sodes. "I was brought up on soap opera, and what's great about it is the fact you have an audience which maybe doesn't go to the fleatre or cinema." A former Royal Court Young Writers' award-winner, Duggan believes in challenging these viewers. "When I wrote the Sammy story, I consulted my Mum because she had postnatal depression with me, but then I just used my

imagination. In a way, it's easier to write women." What resulted was a two-page

monologue for the character (long for a soap), explaining why she couldn't look after the baby. Starting with a challenge to her husband father and two onlookers, she moved onto the dangers of projected images of motherhood. "I read all the stupid mother and baby mags and knitted a cardi," she says, "but it didn't do any good."

If the soaps have a new direction, that must be it. Less sun, sea and sangria, more sympathy with the good old human condition. And talking of Eldorado (which was dismissed by all of those I spoke to except Duggan as rubbish), the BBC's latest soap has apparently not thought of any on-screen issues yet. It is almost inevitable that they will

larly powerful results.

Sometimes they contain fig-

ures, but the men are usually

imagination this time, and he

often presents the tunnel de-

void of all human occupants.

Perhaps this penumbral locale

reminded him of the work he

had produced in Rome during

the Sixties. Attached to the

British School, Mason based a

series of pictures on the city's

the cycle of destruction and

transformation, conveying a

sense of flux through his im-

pulsive mark-making. The

past is dying in these strange.

elegiac pictures, and in this

respect they recall the lament-

ing intensity of his earlier, be-

reavement-heavy paintings.

But the Broadgate venture en-

ables him to go beyond mour-

ning, and embrace the inevi-tability of a new order rising

on the foundations of history.

• The exhibition continues at the

Guildhall Library, Aldermanbury EC2, Mon-Fri 9.30am-5pm, until

Now he meditates again on

archaeological remains.

REVIEW

Ethics in the ether

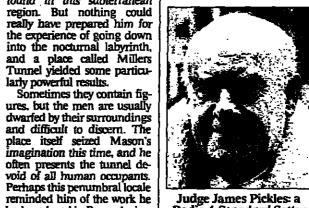
ing on Radio 4 last weekend. On Saturday. Kaleidoscope had a discussion about television, called The Ethics of Documentary. Nick Broomfield, the director of the Jani Allan film (as it might be called). The Leader, the Driver and the Driver's Wife, was unrepentant about the way he had been deliber-ately late when interviewing the far-right South African Terre Blanche, just to make him angry and so reveal more

about him.
By contrast, Louise Panton was uneasy about the fact that when she was interviewing homeless young boys being propositioned by homosex-uals, she was only allowed to show the boys' faces, not the molesters' - and she wondered if she should even have done that. "TV reveals only the

victims," she said. The individual moral prob-lems these two had to face got caught up in a more general clash between the directors in the opposed Panorama and World in Action traditions. The first group work out, in general, what they want to argue before they start interviewing, and have a presenter whose approach is "Trust me." This is the philosophy of the BBC's director-general-elect, John Birt. The second group go out and interview with as open a mind as they can, with

the watchword "Hear them." This Kaleidoscope itself could have benefited from adopting the first of these approaches. The presenter, Paul Allen, made intelligent points but never challenged anybody, so we were left with a lot of questions hanging in the air like balloon strings.

The first of a new Radio 4 series, The Standard Setters (Sundays) made my case for me. Here the interviewer, Dr Edward Norman, really sailed into his victim, Judge James Pickles, with splendid results. Norman wanted to get at some definition of the moral basis that underpins the law. Pickles liked using the word "wicked" of people he had sent to jail — did that mean he took a religious view of sin? Not at



Radio 4 Standard Setter

all, said Pickles, quite unperturbed: he was an agnostic humanist, and considered that

the prime duty was to respect

and enhance human life. Norman couldn't get much further on that point, so he tried another tack. Surely the law did more than just stop people harming each other? Surely it did impose some idea of civic duty on them? What about the obligation on parents to ensure that their children were educated? Pickles cheerfully declared that he had never been "unduly per-plexed" by these questions.

The discussion may have got no further than showing that we are all in a moral muddle, but it illuminated two types of mind. both valuable; and Norman did succeed, as the programme went on, in pinning down many inconsistencies in current attitudes. No bland presenter he.

Costing the Earth (Radio 4) is a forum for a group of people who are quite sure about our civic duty - the environmentalists. I tuned in on Saturday especially to hear the winners of the World Wildlife Fund song contest. What a disappointment! Cheerful ditties about rain forests coming down, choruses like "There's no more world to live in" sung without a care in the world. Give me the Pastoral Symphony any time.

DERWENT MAY

Men at work, an artist at his labours

ow that the Broadgate development has beof the London cityscape, its buildings, squares, alleys and skating rink betray no hint of the stremuous activity which brought them into being. But Robert Mason's paintings vividly convey the energy, mess and sheer hard work behind the dramatic renewal of the entire 29-acre area bordering

Liverpool Street station.

Mason's involvement with
Broadgate began three years ago, when the developer Stuart Lipton invited him to produce a single picture of the construction work. He was a surprising choice for such a project. Over the previous decade, Mason had been preoccupied with images of loss and mortality. The death of his parents, brother and sister when he was young dominated his imagination. By painting human skulls, animal carcasses and crouching figures burdened by melancholy, he confronted his childhood trauma and tried to exorcise

At Broadgate, what began as a one-off commission ended up absorbing all Mason's energies for a year. He finally produced an astonishing 150 pictures, ranging from swift oil studies to elaborate triptychs. They testify to the growth of an

Richard Cork on the rich and dramatic results of the painter

Robert Mason's study of the Broadgate Development in London

obsession, and show how readily he adapted to the pressures of exploring the entire area, from the vertiginous cab of the tallest crane to the deep tunnels where the substructure was prepared. A selection of these images is

their surroundings become

to ensnare him.

now on display at the Guildhall Library, along with some of the notebooks and photographs which Mason accumulated. The dense, crowded hang suits the overall character of pictures which stress the urgency and concentrated endeavour of the men labouring on this complex site. Illuminated by a strong vellow light during the night-

shift, one helmeted figure stoops forward. The almost Caravaggiesque shadows enveloping half his body make the exact nature of his activity unclear. But the care he devotes to the task is manifested in his tense, straining pose. A network of scaffolding seems to place severe limits on his movements, and the clutter of tools and loose materials be must move with caution.

around his feet suggests that The more Mason's paintings of labouring figures are studied, the more perilous

Seen from behind, another night-shift worker negotiates his way through a potentially treacherous tangle of girders, mesh and scattered imple-

ments. The arc of metal curving round his leg seems ready Mason's respect for the men he encountered lies at the heart of this exhibition. They

are the heroes of his Broadgate

work, just as the men and

women of Clydeside were celebrated by Stanley Spencer in his wartime series of shipbuilding pictures. But Mason's figures seem more vulnerable than Spencer's swarming, tireless Glaswegians. One yellow-coated worker stoops over a halffinished floor with tangible weariness, and the looseness with which his form is handied only emphasises the feeling of human frailty. Whereas, whenever Mason closes in on their faces alone, losing the sense of arduous physical labour and the tumultuous envi-

ronment, the tension slackens. Spencer is not the only wartime artist whose work is evoked here. Images of bombed buildings by Piper or Sutherland are close in spirit to his unpopulated paintings

demolition. One juxtaposes a placard bearing the words Safety Helmet Area" with the half-dismantled façade of a City office. Memories of the Blitz are stirred in the maeistrom of Mason's paint, which stresses the dissolution of the old more than the emergence of the new.

Tor a while, at least, an embattled mood prevailed on the site. Anyone obliged to use Liverpool Street station during the construction period will recall how services continued despite apparently impossible odds. Mason catches the air of indomitable persistence in a painting called Life Goes On. where diehard commuters struggle through a mêlée of obstacles in order to reach their destination.

ages concentrate on scenes far below the ground, where Mason witnessed herculean activity in the network of Victorian tunnels. Seeing a survey of Henry Moore's tube-shelter drawings at the British Museum beforehand had already made him conscious of the mysterious atmosphere to be

The most memorable im-

TELEVISION REVIEW

Market forces mean dirty business as usual

umentary outings, we probably know far more about crime in Miami than we are ever Wearing a bright T-shirt and a houriant moustache, he likely to about misdemeanours in Manchester. Everything in showed them a large and Florida is apparently bigger. more exciting, more exotic, and so much easier to film.
So it was that Nature Watch beautiful lizard and then took Julian Pettifer on a round of the various middlemen in this nasty trade. The camera was (ITV, last night) making a hidden in a hold-ali. programme about the smuggling of wild animals as pets, felt honour-bound to board

"Images of bombed buildings by Piper or Sutherland are close in spirit": Robert Mason's Safety Helmet Area

Thanks to British tele-

Miami Vice, and various doc-

the Miami shuttle. Dean Freeman, an undercover agent for the US Fish and Wildlife

Service, did not fail them.

vision's importation of

the highly successful

"The bottom line for me is to put these nerds out of business," declared Dean, but as usual we saw nobody actually put out of business, or even charged. Like the communist

cells of yesteryear, which were often kept going only by the undercover FBI agents who infiltrated them, one gets the feeling that illicit traders in virtually every commodity are now being sustained by the "stings" organised by agents whose job it is to put them out

Why, if Dean knew of two dealers handling rare species illegally, and took Nature Watch to film them, did be not

charge them with some of-fence? Search me, but this was Miami. The investigation had been going on for three years, and still had a long way to go, we were told. The footage shot in Britain was rather more. prosaic, but it told much the Everywhere in the West

there are people who want to own exotic pets, many of them belonging to endangered species. Everywhere in developing countries there are people happy to supply them. In between is a thin blue line of customs officers, wildlife agents and British television

very year 180,000 birds are imported into Britain, many of them snatched from the wild. The very year 180,000 trapper in Guyana who spirits a parrot from the trees gets paid \$2 for a bird which will

Every day the customs officers at Heathrow face 1,000 boxes containing live animals, only a fraction of which they have the time to examine. The trade will go on because it is literally unstoppable.

Some progress does seem to have been made. In the Sixties, according to Molly Badham of Twycross Zoo, chimpanzees were imported in large numbers and sold

through ordinary pet shops, though they do not make good pets. That, at least, no longer happens.

But a glimpse of a street market in Vietnam where 63 species were on sale, including the rare clouded leopard, did not suggest that an early end to the business is likely. The irony is that those who are the ultimate purchasers of smuggled wildlife probably regard themselves as animal lovers. Some of them, no doubt, watched this programme. It would have been interesting to have heard what they had to

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Tiptoe through the tea-dance

Josephine Akrill finds that Paris

is swaying again

to the tango and the cha-cha-cha



FORTIES nostalgia has hit Paris this summer, with Edith Piaf lookalikes in platform shoes and carefully rollered curls parading the streets. Branché Pa-

risian youth is abandoning "le rap". 'le funk" and "le house" for the more traditional delights of "le musette", the accordion-based music of the Parisian faubourgs. Instead of Saturday-night clubbing, les jeunes are joining les retraités at the Sunday afternoon tea-dances and guinguettes which are currently all the rage in and around the French

The Mecca for hardened waltzers and fox-trotters is La Java. Paris's oldest existing "bal musette", and the only one to retain a full-time orchestra led, bien entendu, by the

Hidden away off the bustling rue du faubourg du Temple, which leads up to Believille, Parisian Chinatown. La Java is easily missed, squeezed as it is between seedy shops selling electric fans, pigs' trotters and cutprice underwear. But venture down a narrow covered arcade with stainedglass windows redolent of the Art Deco dome of the Galeries Lafayette, and you find yourself in a 1940s fairyland where spots of light whirt crazily across the dancers' faces.

Here, couples d'un certain age clasp each other in a range of poses from prim and proper to close and clinging. Strappy sandals daintily trip out the javas and cha-cha-chas, only leaving the sawdust-strewn dancefloor to sip a menthe à l'eau or a petit verre de blanc, in the highbacked red velvet banquettes.

"You feel as if you've been whisked back half a century," says one newcomer - precisely the intention of La Java's patron, Jacques Morino, who has kept the original 1920s decor, all glittering silver spangles and sky-blue walls, "exactly as it was in the days of Edith Piaf and Maurice Chevalier."

The music, too, remains unchanged. The eight-piece Orchestre de la Java, led by accordionist Christian Dandoiy, delights its regulars with old favourites such as "La Reine de la Musette", and "Le Petit Vin Blanc", as well as the Edith Piaf-Jacques Brel repertoire.

If the bal musette is now a typically



Edith Piaf in New York in 1948: singer from an epoch of music and style that young Parisians are now trying energetically to recapture

Parisian institution, its origins are more rural. A kind of primitive bagpipe played in the Auvergne region of France, the musette was brought to Paris during the huge migration of Auvergnat workers to the capital in the 19th century. They hold nostalgic reunions in their Parisian brasseries, limonadiers and café-tabacs, accompanied by the music and dances of their lost

Its role soon usurped by the more adaptable accordion, introduced by Paris's Italian community, the musette fell into disuse, leaving only its name as a reminder of the country roots of that urban, insolent streetmusic now symbolised by Edith Piaf. The "java" itself, as one well-informed tea-dancer points out, is said to take its name from the

"cha va" Bought by Jacques Morino in 1968, La Java will later pass into the capable hands of his son, Christian, who currently mans the entrance, and declares himself to be "steeped in le musette up to my neck".

Auvergnat pronunciation of "ça va"

"We were the first in Paris to revive the thé-dansant ten years ago." he explains, as he hands out the 40franc tickets to an unremitting stream of customers ranging from students to OAPs, all with the same expectant glint in their eye and swing in their step.

"Now the other clubs have copied us, and there's competition from the revival of the guinguettes (open-air dances along the banks of the Marne river). But we've got all our old faithfuls who wouldn't miss the live band for anything. Some of them travel for two hours to get here."

he rush of customers seems to have abated. Christian explains: "It's five francs cheaper before 2.30. They'll half kill themselves to arrive by then - and they'll dance the afternoon away until the dot of 7 o'clock."

Back again, Yvette?" he smiles as sprightly woman of, I reckon, about 50, trips gaily by. "I'll have to install a campbed for you!" As she disappears down the stairwell he informs me in a confidential whisper: "She's 68, but she's got the legs of a jeune fille. A dance a week does more good than a bottle of pills - it should be free on

Down on the dance-floor the couples are forming. Christian grabs one of his regulars — "Give the jeune Anglaise a dance. Andre." Feebly protesting that I don't know a charleston from a cha-cha-cha, I am led onto the multicoloured vinyl and swung into a brisk walk, rocked by the gentle accordion and the swirling

André, or Dédé, as he is know at La Java, is 64, a cobbler, and disdainful of the waltz. "Personally, I only dance the tango and the paso doble — the rest send me to sleep," he scoffs. "But you should see me dance the tango with a girl who knows her paces — je suis un vrai toréador!" My own legs are already weaken-

ing, and my head spinning, so Dedé lets up the pace, and we sidle off for an orange pressée. At the bar, Delphine, 26, is also taking a breather. She is here with a group of friends who adore "le Rétro" — the French term for anything pre-1970s in music and dance styles.

"Modern night-clubs bore me they're so triste, with everyone dancing on their own. Here you have real contact with your partner. I know people here who've been coming for

years - since the war. And the older they are, the more flirtatious," she adds, before being whisked off for a temptestuous tango with a greying Portugese gentlemen who dips and swoops her in a series of grateful tombées, whilst singing "O Sole . Mio" at the top of his voice - a regular occurrence, judging by the impassive faces of his fellow dancers.

Playing to such a varied audience is one of the delights of the Orchestre de la Java, according to 27-year-old lead accordionist Christian Dandoiy, who himself strikes a strange balance between le rêtro and le moderne, dressed in the orchestra's regulation black tie, with the coquettish addition of an earning and a pair of leather cowboy boots.

Out of the corner of my eye I spot Déde who has appropriated one of the Java's red tablecloths and is flourishing it d la toréador to the delight of a flushed Yvette and another copine. Things are hotting up on the piste de danse, and the afternoon is still young as the orchestra launches into the "Tango des Jours Heureux". As Delphine points out: "There's no age limit on having a good time at la Java!"

German success remains secret

Denis Staunton on Heiner Müller, one of Germany's most important playwrights.

whose work is too seldom seen in Britain

bad name in Eng-land. It is seen as long on polemic and short on entertainment, dominated by ugly, expressionist design. So well established is the prejudice, that one of the most energetic and diverse theatre cultures in the world remains a secret from English audiences.

At 63, Heiner Müller is the most influential and widely performed playwright in Germany today. Landed all over continental Europe, he is almost unknown in England, his plays seen occasionally on the Fringe but never in the big subsidised houses of the RSC or the National Theatre. According to Giles Croft, Literary Manager of the National Theatre, this is because there is no English director who really understands his work.

Born in Saxony, Müller was four years old when his father, a Social Democrat, was arrested by the Nazis and taken to a concentration camp. Still in his teens when the war ended. Müller supported the socialist experiment in East Gernlany, even approving of the building of the Berlin Wall in 1961, a move he still believes was justified. He soon ran into trouble with the authorities, nonetheless, when his plays began to criticise the human damage caused by socialism, and he was a regular target for the censors from the late 1950s onwards.

Müller's plays have become steadily less naturalistic, to the point where dialogue has been eliminated, leaving only monologues which are divided up between the actors.

His best known work, Hamletmaschine, written in 1977, is only ten pages long. In it, Hamlet refuses to kill Claudius on the grounds that it would simply perpetuate the cycle of bloodshed. As the German Democratic Republic crumbled in autumn 1989. Müller was directing a sevenhour production of Hamlet and Hamletmaschine at East Berlin's Deutsches Theater. inserting new lines each night to reflect the events on the streets outside.

Giles Croft believes that Müller's kind of sensibility is

erman theatre has a not popular in England. His plays belong to a genre which is inspired less by the playwright than by the director. Croft points out that the Germens often turn to English playwrights such as Alan Ayckbourn when they are looking for entertainment in their boulevard theatres.

But, for the most part, the theatre in Germany is not about entertainment but about serious issues. Playwrights are given great moral status and. in turn, they are expected to conduct themselves with greater moral probity than their fellow citizens. The publication of Müller's memoirs, Krieg ohne Schlacht (War Without a Battle), this month has revived a debate about his



Müller: influential

moral conduct during the lifetime of the GDR. Although his plays were banned in the East, he was allowed to travel to the West as often as he chose, and the government of Erich Honecker was so happy with his hard currency receipts that they awarded him the National Prize for Literature. At a rally in Berlin in November 1989, Müller asked the public for forgiveness on behalf of his fellow intellectuals who had become "isolated through privilege". He is less repentant today. "After all," he says, "Michelangelo worked for the Borgias."

• Krieg ohne Schlacht, Leben in Zwei Diktaturen by Heiner Müller is published by Kiepenheuer &-Witsch at DM45.

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Ivy-clad serenity: the Le Vieux Logis hotel at Trémolat

A favourite haunt for Britons

Fig. he Dordogne valley, with its golden limestone and its walnut trees, its chateaux and fortresses, has always been a favourite part of France with the British. Le Vieux Logis is a Relais & Châteaux hotel at Trémolat. on a loop of the river between Bergerac and Domme. It is a long house covered with moss and ivy, among beautiful gardens which can be seen from all its bedroom windows. Its dining room is converted from a barn where tobacco was once of shops selling pate and

dried, and its cuisine offers the classic dishes of the region, such as hare and duck, with foie gras and truffles.

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The American writer Henry Miller used to stay in the hotel; more recently. Tremolat was the idyllic setting for Claude Chabrol's film. The Butcher.

West along the river is Bergerac, a bustling wine town that also has a tobacco museum. In the other direction, you come to the exquisite hilltop village of Domme, full

potted goose, and the elegant little town of Sarlat

Here you are at the heart of the cave country. The caves have been hollowed out by rainwater making its way through the porous limestone, and are full of stalagmites and stalactites.

In many of them there are also prehistoric cave paintings. The most famous cave paintings of all, at Lascaux, are no longer open to the public. because too much damage has been done to them; but around Les Eyzies quite a number can be visited and there is a prehistory museum at Les Eyzies, which is well

TOMORROW

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SPAIN: Theatre in Barcelona; exhibitions in Seville

Life after the Olympics

ive theatre has played an important role in Barcelona's Olympic Arts Festival, and most of the plays will run for some time yet.

El Tricide is one of several Catalan performance groups which rely almost wholly on image, rather than words, and their Slastic parodied overserious attitudes towards athletic achievement. Another group, La Fura dels Baus, provided the spectacular entertainment for the opening of the Games.

VOLRAS is a relatively recent addition to this lineage. Their latest show, entitled Pssssh ..., consists of scenes from hospital life. After a short run at the Theatre Villarroel, it will tour Spain for the rest of the year. Much of Pssssh ... is

made up of slapstick homage to silent films. There are plenty of electric shocks. Automatic doors never open when they are supposed to. Patients faint when they see ugly faces. It sometimes seems rather juvenile. However, since the piece has only three actors, there is a good deal of pleasure to be had from the slick costume and character changes. Besides, when three patients are seen ingeniously battling for the same bed, the satire hits

regions nearer home. The literary discovery of the Festival is Joan Brossa's El

Tor visitors reeling in the heat or dizzied by the extravagant architectural chaos, the streets of Seville's Expo '92 can feel like a maze.

Those whose taste is for art

will probably find themselves among the most frustrated. Sculpture and painting is seemingly everywhere.

The best place for art lovers to start is perhaps at the Spanish pavilion whose blazing bronze dome dominates the Lake of Spain. Besides stripping the walls

of the Prado of some of its best paintings, the Spaniards have used their influence as hosts to twist arms in museums around the world so certain pieces can return home. Most notable among these are Picasso's distorted night fishermen in Pesca Nocturna en Antibes and Dali's Corpus Hypercubicus, both on loan from New York, 32 countries are showing off and El Greco's The Adoration of the Shepherds, which has artists. Three Hungarian ru-



Catalan baroque a scene from El dejengany

sarau (The Ball or The Party). premiered at the Teatre Poliorama. A family copes with power cuts, the result of a snowfall of surrealist proportions. Two aged women talk about cheeses, snobbishly disdain the poor and make fun of an old man. In the final act, a shop assistant selling cloth dreams aloud about Greek mythology. A customer ends up cheating him. Brossa establishes his own

poetic territory, where mockery of existing dramatic forms and of the bourgeoisie mixes spent the last 150 years in

Budapest. The richest, and most diverse, Expo collection belongs to the Pavilion of the Fitteenth Century, whose exhibi-tion Art and Culture around 1492 is distributed through the cool cloisters and chapeis of the newly-restored 15thcentury Monastery of Santa

Maria de las Cuevas. Among the 30 or so works in the Italian pavilion are a Botticelli fresco of St Augustine in his Study, while of the pavilions belonging to Spain's regions, the Aragonese have taken Goya as their theme and have produced some rarely seen works. Holland brings Van Gogh, Rembrandt and Mondrian, France has concentrated on high tech, while Britain's beauty stops at its architecture and design.The Arts Pavilion has a rotating exhibition in which a total of some of their best living

with a lyrical hymn to the imagination. Hermann Bonnin's deft production main-tains the necessary rhythm. Fontanella's El desengany (Disillusionment) is a retelling

of the marriage of Vulcan and Venus, written in 1650-1, and salvaged from the Catalan baroque for the Teatre Romea. The British design team of Sue Plummer and Roger Butlin creates some smoke-covered surprises very much in tune with the spirit of the play.

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ral artists now there include the sculptor Geza Sanni, who died recently: in the Hungarian pavilion, a dead tree from the banks of the Danube is intended as a mark of homage

in addition the visitor cannot help but bump into the dozens of commissioned sculptures that dot the site of which the best, or at least most memorable are Turner Prize winner Anish Kapoor's and David Connor's ochrecoloured tower Building for an Empty Space on the banks of the Lake of Spain and the huge, shiring mechanical bust by Miguel Berrocal in front of the Olympic pavilion. Finally, in the city itself, a major show of Latin-America art has just opened at the Plaza de Armas. Dedicated art lovers will find themselves footweary at the end of their stay - but they should certainly go home happy.

GILES TREMLETT

• AMIENS: Held in and around the 13th-century cathedral of Amiens, the Festival des Cathédrales combines four weekends of music domi-

nated by choral works, with visiting ensembles from Oslo, Hungary, Luxembourg. Cologne and Switzerland. On September 26. Sigiswald Kuijken conducts Mozart's Cost fan tutte featuring Canadian soprano Nancy Argenta. Conseil regional de Picardie 11 mail Albert 1st, 80000 Amiens. Tel: (010 33) 22973717/ fax: 22973742. Sept 11-Oct 4.

THE HAGUE: Born in Paris and now resident in London. Natalie d'Arbeloff is primarily a book artist but has also exhibited as painter and printmaker. Since 1974 she has made artist's books in limited editions and now exhibits in Holland through the support of the British Council. Prinsessegracht 30, 's-Gravenhage. Mon-Sat, 1-5pm. Aug 14-Oct 10.

• HAMBURG: A two-week festival is dedicated to the music of Felix Mendelssohn and the little-known composer Giacinto Scelsi, one of the post-war group of modern Italian composers — support eventually provided for his work has come from radical circles in Italy and foreign composers such as Ligeti and Feldman. There are concerts by the Philharmonisches Staatsorchester of Hamburg. the Academy of St Martin-inthe-Fields, the Gewandhaus Quartet and the Gewandhaus-

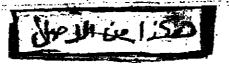
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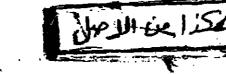
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Fighters can have dimples, too

Glad to be out of the House, Rosie Barnes has found an even broader canvas

for her causes, Alice Thomson discovers

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becomes the new direc-tor of Birthright, the charity that funds medical research to improve the health women and babies. When Birthright advertised the position it was looking for someone who could cope with the pressures of running a large charity, who would not be daunted by having the Princess of Wales as patron and who would champion the rights of champion the rights of women: Mrs Barnes, the politician with the housewifely charm, the dimpled cheeks and the flouncy blonde curls appeared, on the surface, an odd

The Social Democratic Party MP for Greenwich, southeast London, always seemed the kind of woman content to sit on the sideline and not make too much fuss. Someone

who had just stumbled into the House of Commons by accident in 1987 and who followed adoringly after David Owen, supporting the doctor through thick and thin. At the last election the Labour opponent who succeeded her labelled her the "motherhood, ap-

ple pie and furry rabbit party. When I went to interview Mrs Barnes at her terraced house in Greenwich she was about to leave for her holidays and

was bustling around in a lilac She understands the media, she is towelling tracksuit. She had to adept at lobbying, she is a well-drive her 16-year-old daughter known and she has stamina. Daisy to the hairdresser, cook breakfast for seven-year-old Joseph and husband Graham and feed the

two dogs.

But the housewifely image is deceptive. When Mrs Barnes lost at the general election in April she wept in front of the cameras, but the next day she opened up the appointments pages and began looking for a job. Most people would have left it for the weekend, but she was back out there.

"I was feeling bruised and licking my wounds but I thought I'd have a quick look and this advertisement for Birthright jumped out at me. It couldn't have suited me better," she says. "People always assume that I just fell into politics as

ext month Rosie Barnes first child and almost no time at all for the other two. So I couldn't stop

working now." She wrote her curriculum vitae immediately and then heard nothing for three weeks. When her secretary rang the Birthright office they told her that they had received 600 serious applications and that Mis Barnes was among them. It took three months and three interviews before she knew she had got the job. She never doubted she was

the right candidate.

Birthright's remit is to research into a wide range of women's bealth problems, from premature: labour to osteoporosis and ovarian or cervical cancer. It is now a larger provider of funds to obstetrics and gynaecological research than the Medical Research Council. As SDP spokesman on health,

Mrs Barnes tried to introduce no-fault patients who claim they have been in-jured by treatment on the NHS. She also campaigned before 28 weeks and miscarried foetuses to be given a dignified burial or cremation. So her health credentraks were good and the Royal College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists already took her seriously. Her working skills are

also appropriate.

She can also draw on her personal history. Mrs Barnes has had her share of anguish and is not afraid of using it to prove her point. At 26, when she was pregnant for the first time, she caught rubella. Doctors told her there was a 10 per cent chance of her child being handicapped. She decided to go ahead and Daniel, her first child, was born with only partial hearing. "I know now it was the right decision - but only just," she says.

When she was pregnant for the third time, at 39, she decided to have a test. "I knew I would have an abortion if they found my baby was handicapped. Life is about living, not just about existing." As a result of her experiences she was



Campaigning for the health of mothers and babies: Rosie Barnes, the new director of Birthright, with daughter Daisy (left), son, Joseph, and niece Jamuna Johnson

She has also had a benign lump in her breast that caused her anxiety and makes her advocate more funding for research into breast cancer. Her pregnancies were difficult and she knows how daunting hospitals can be for expectant mothers. "It's like going through a sausage machine," she

Her other challenge will be dealing with the list of eminent council members, members and donors - Birthright has a reputation for attracting ladies who lunch, rock stars and royalty. On past public appearances her wardrobe, with its Doctor Who scarves and purple suits, may not match those of her celebrity donors. But that probably won't matter. She will command the respect of the charity's supporters.

career. I only took a year out for my against David Alton's abortion bill. because she would just bumble emotional appeal of baby units and have problems, everyone does."

along they have got her wrong. "A new sense of purpose and direction is needed, starting with the name," she says, explaining that she finds Birthright confusing. "When I applied for this job friends kept saying to me, But I thought you were in favour of choice, not antiabortion.' I kept having to explain that Birthright is not an antiabortion organisation. In fact it distances itself from the whole issue of abortion. I want something that you recognise immediately. like the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds." The Royal Society for the

title, just a little long.

Mrs Barnes would also like the charity to be known for more than raising money for infertility research and premature babies. "To

Protection of the Health of Women

and Babies doesn't sound a bad

young infertile couples but I want to make sure the less mediafriendly issues come to the forefront," she says.

omen's health, she says, is still treated with derision by some men. "Do you remember when the MP Teresa Gorman stood up and talked about hormone replacement therapy in the House of Commons and the men started heckling her and saying, We always knew you were a man, anyway? Well, I want men to stop sniggering when we talk about menstruation, tampons or breasts and start giving. Women's health does not just affect half the population. It affects children whose mothers are ill, boyfriends, husbands and lovers whose partners

well-scrubbed farmer's daughter. Mrs Barnes grew up on a Nottingham housing estate. Her father was a mechanic and her mother worked in a cigarette factory. "It is women at the lower end of the income scale who need to be helped," she says. "I want to broaden the appeal. We can have balls and let people spend £500 on a lunch but we also want to

She realises that if she overdoes the tampon swinging she might send men scurrying. "I don't want to challenge men, just encourage them to understand the importance of women's health," she says. Mention the health secretary

get the average person and busi-

nesses to give a little."

Virginia Bottomley and she only just stops herself from launching into a tirade. "Birthright is an apolitical organisation. It has to appeal to all walks of life. So while it hairdresser with Daisy.

In spite of looking every inch the used to be my duty to point out vell-scrubbed farmer's daughter. shortcomings, now I will be learning to find a way around them." she says.

In her final interview Birthright asked Mrs Barnes if she would miss the glamour of being an MP. The new director says she has had enough of politics.

"Although I felt that I had to be honourable and stay with the SDP to the end I was increasingly isolated and felt more and more ineffectual," she says.

"Being a backbench MP can be very mundane. After one state opening and one late-night vote you have seen them all. The part of the work I enjoyed was the constitu-ency work. Birthright will be far more challenging without being so time-consuming and I will have more time with the family.

The author of 84 Charing Cross Road turns her wit on New York

elene Hanff is one of the handful of people in the world whose celebrity rests on a single book. With 34 Charing Cross Road, a cult was born.
It started in 1971 as a slim

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volume of the letters she wrote from New York in the 1950s to the antiquarian bookseller at that London address. People were captivated; it be-came a television drama, a West End play, then a film with Anne Bancroft as the author. Last Easter, the play was broadcast on radio. Each time it is rediscovered by a new audience, another avalanche of mail arrives at the East 72nd Street apartment where the tiny, thin, spiky Miss Hanff still lives.

"People now write to say they got the film of 84 out of the video store because the man told them it was charming. And then I went and bought the book, they say. 'Have you written anything new?" She hasn't, but there is a new volume of Hanff called Letter From New York, an anthology of the monthly broadcasts she did on Worn-

an's Hour ten years ago. The pieces were hugely popular and a publisher, having heard someone say how much they missed them, asked to see the scripts. "Well, who keeps old scripts? I crawled along the floor to the storage cabinet under my booksheives and came up with a faded Xerox copy. Anyway I sent it over and back came a vast basket of flowers which meant she liked them. I was still against the idea, but my friend Arlene; who is a better judge of what I write than I, read each page with a beatific smile - and she is not a smiler."

The voice of Miss Hanff, in the broadcasts and in life, is sardonic. An autodidact Jewish New York maiden lady, she arrived in London for her first visit, to publish her book. six months after the old bookshop had closed.

She has since been back to London many times and her Anglophilia is undiminished but she did find the British needed educating about New York. "One of these days", she wrote 20 years ago, after her first visit to London. "I'm going to write a book about hving in a 16-storey apart-ment house in New York complete with families, bache lors, career girls, a 90-year-old village idiot and a doorman

Life at East 72nd Street



Helene Hanff: an ardent Anglophile

who can hame every one of the 16 resident dogs. I am so fined of being told what a terrible place New York is to live — by people who don't live there." The new book is just that: lime essays about the neighbours, the dogs they walk on Dog Hill in Central Park, the gardens Manhattan-dwellers create on the unlikeliest rooftops, the street parties they hold at the slightest excuse. Christmas shopping at Lord & Taylor, cosmopolitan delis to read aloud from her work. and off-Broadway theatres,

who can name every one of the droughts in August and how 16 resident dogs. I am so fixed many quarier dollar coins you

need for the Laundromat.
Andre Deutsch, who publishes her books, threw a party for her at the Garrick Chub in London. She was pleased until she heard about the Garrick's view of women. "Like actresses aren't as good as actors? Like any two-bit actor can get in but not Rosemary Leach or Judi Dench?" She also had a book signing at Harrods. If invited she does not care for blizzards in April and bookshops new habit of

putting out rows of chairs.
"Young audiences are accustomed to television and they're apt to just sit and stare. You have to tell yourself, 'I'm not a sitcom!" It's not the lack of laughter I mind, it's the lack of expression on the faces." Few lives can have re-

mained so unaltered by fame. She still lives in the same room, and in the same way, as when she wrote history books for children, and television scripts for the Ellery Queen mystery series. She would never have got to Hollywood as a scriptwriter. "For one thing. I don't drive a car. For another, Los Angeles is not a city it's a way of life but it's not for me. A friend told me that until the age of 50 a man will go wherever his work takes him. After 50 he will do anything that lets him stay where he is." Miss Hanff was already past that watershed when 84 changed her life.

he first 15 years in New York were spent in furnished rooms and hotel rooms. "I had a room once on East 95th, a grey stone walkup with bars over the window so the drunks couldn't crawl in from the bar next door. We all got notice one day because the building was being renovated.
I had 11 addresses in 18 weeks. Now, they are asking \$750 a month for a fourth floor walk-up in the same building! I wouldn't pay that if it was lined with urunium."

Her visit was, she is convinced, her last to Britain. "I am no longer willing to go through what you have to go through at airports. I wouldn't have come if Arlene hadn't come too. Arlene was born knowing that porters are wait-

ing to take her bags."
Nothing could dampen her enthusiasm for literary London though, or her keenness to visit writers' shrines. One day she had been to visit Keats's house in Hampstead, north London, and since we were in the area and she had lately admired Tinker, Tailor, Soldier. Spy, I asked her if she would like to see John le Carre's house, and slowed down outside it. As we stared, the front door opened and out came the man himself. "That's him," I whispered. "Wahl!" she drawled. "They showed me Keats's house, but they never showed me Keats!"

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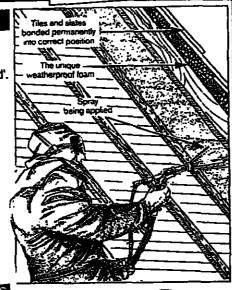
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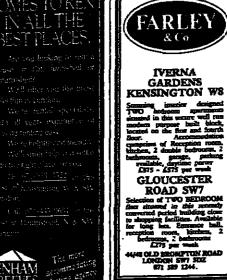
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Recession to the rescue of old houses

As developers retreat, openings present themselves for private buyers eager to restore classic country properties.

Rachel Kelly surveys opportunities

dilapidated country. houses. These owners could once feel confident that they would be able to sell their properties to developers for a packet, and would wait patiently for the highest bid-der. But that was in the Eighties. Scotland's manses and castles were snapped up by developers and house builders for conversion to hotels, flats, and, more than any-where else in the country, golf

Owners no longer have such a range of would-be buyers. Although a few commercial developers are still interested in buying. large developers in the past two years have been beating a retreat south, whence many of them came, or into the arms of the receivers. Ironically, the recession has opened opportunities for private restorers of Scottish country houses.

The chief expert on such opportunities is Mary Miers. Based at the Scottish Civic Trust, she runs the trust's Buildings at Risk Service. Established in January 1990 and funded by Historic Scotland, the equivalent of English Heritage. Miss Miers has set up a computer database of all historic buildings in Scotland known to be in danger because of neglect or difficulty in maintenance. Over a thousand such buildings are now on her register and they are ripe for the small-time restorer.

Miss Miers says: "There is still plenty of interest in restoring manageable country houses from private restorers, and plenty of such houses are in need of rescue. Some owners are still unresponsive to such private restorers despite the disappearance of many of the

bigger developers."
In her view, the problem with many moderate-sized country houses is not so much lack of interest from the restoring public as the intransigence of their owners. She cites Woodbank House, Balloch, on the shores of Loch Lomond in Strathclyde, as a typical example of such proprietorial procrastination. The 18th-century mansion was used as hotel until 1981. Then was abandoned and has been

decaying for nearly a decade. unwilling to sell. "Dumbarton District Council, which says the owner contact when

chatelains are more serve a repairs notice." Miss Miers careful at this time than says. "Action, not talk is urgenity the owners of Scotland's needed before another winter passes, and if the owner cannot afford to do anything, he must be persuaded to sell, in the interest of saving this category A listed building."

Plenty of other potential restorers have expressed interest in the building. Miss Miers says. Her hope is that the recession will mean that owners no longer expect the crary prices commanded by such country houses during the 1980s, and will therefore be able to

activity of conservation officers scattered through Scotland's councils, which may sharrie them into action, as may the ever brighter glare of publicity.

A private buyer is the Scottish Civic Trust's preferred buyer for such family sized houses. Small, maneageable country houses with good communications have never been short of such buyers even



Under threat: Auchenbothie

when they are in a deplorable state. It is the larger stately homes that are unsuitable for most families and are at greatest risk, such as Heveningham Hall in Suffolk. On the market for £4.5 million, it is unlikely to find a private buyer with the means to maintain such an important historic mansion.

Lord Ridley of Liddesdale's thesis The owner is known to be that the nouveaux riches would take on such houses and establish themselves as neo-squires has yet to be proved Although Alan Bond

attract more sensitive restorers.

Owner intransigence will meit, too, in the face of the increasing

houses fare better.

Balgone, near Edinburgh, had long attracted family buyers. The house had been owned by the Grant-Suttle family since 1698, but Sir Philip Grant-Suttie had moved into a farmhouse more than 20 years ago, leaving the main house empty. The building was riddled with dry rot and with collapsed ceilings and walls.

 Despite interest from developers over the years, Sir Philip delayed the sale, and only thanks to the delicate negotiations of Marcus

are not too grand."

he restoration of Balgone is a resounding success story. With £100,000 of grants from Historic Scotland and the expert touch of Marcus Dean, who with Miss Miers is co-author of Save Britain's Heritage's Scotland's Endangered Houses, part of an ugly Victorian façade has been sensitively demolished. A baronial-style Victorian wing was also demolished, restoring the house to its 17th-century penditure on basic maintenance. approached on the matter, should moved into Glympton, Oxford- Dean, an architect and conserva- form and shrinking it to a more

than in their nation's heritage."

Some opportunist homeowners sold out in the 1980s to developers. many of whom bit off more than they could develop. Now such houses are back on the market at inflated prices. Their frustrated owners and would-be developers want to sell but cannot afford to reduce their prices without taking a big loss. Some wrongly assume that planning permissions they have secured but not implemented add a hefty premium to near wrecks that look romantic but require big ex-

Castle, near Kirriemuir in Tayside. An exuberant Scottish baronial-

style castle, the property has changed hands several times recently. The owner, Mr R. Kelbie, bought it without even inspecting the interior and put it back on the market swiftly once he realised the nature of his speculation, and for an unrealistic price in the view of the need for more than £1 million of repairs. He has recently halved his asking price to £50,000. Such a house with its double-

One such house is Balintore height saloon and abundance of has a silverish lining.

turrets is unlikely to appeal to the private restorer, and would need a commercial rescuer. But other houses that once might have been turned into golf courses now have a second chance to be returned to use as family homes. The picture is far from rosy, and still under threat are plenty of buildings, such as Auchenbothie House in Kilmalcolm, Inverelyde, which lacks appeal for family buyers and in which developers are no longer interested.



Architectural antiques have become a popular target for thieves, but buyers of possibly stolen goods could help to stem the illegal trade

The theft of a house's finest fittings is one "trade" that flourishes during a recession. There are more people out of work looking for easy money, more families are staying put because they cannot sell their houses and are instead doing them up, and in cities, old office buildings stay empty longer, presenting an easy target for casual larceny.

The theft of what has become known as "architectural salvage", or those bits of someone else's house that people buy to enhance their own, has become an epidemic, according to Dr Steven Parissien of The Georgian Group. Pieces of obvious beauty and value, such as Georgian doorcases, fireplaces and wall panelling vanish. But it is not just the most valuable artefacts of obvious beauty and value that disappear; as Cole Porter put it,

Victorian houses up for auction lose light switches, door handles, stained glass and internal doors. York paving stones disappear from council even lost the back wall of an 18th-century house, which thieves removed in the night, supporting the remaining structure with scaf-folding. And in north London, robbers were seen carrying away the huge front doorcase of a Georgian terraced house.

Such crimes have been on the increase during the past decade. The early 1980s saw a rise in interest in restoring old buildings to their former state, something we were very happy about." Mr Parissien says. "Fittings were taken out during the 1960s and thrown away, so there are not enough Victorian fireplaces to go around. A trade then develops, illegitimate as well as legitimate. We are victims of OUT OWN SUCCESS." Architectural theft is also seen as

easy money. "Any lad with a lorry-can take a doorcase," Donald Cameron of Crowther of Syon Lodge an architectural antiques dealer, says. "All he needs is a crowbar and a dark night." Empty houses and those under-

going renovation are particularly vulnerable. "All you have to do is phone an estate agent to ask whether the house in his window has vacant possession, says Phillip Saunders, publisher of Trace, a magazine aimed at reuniting stolen items with their rightful owners.

"If it has, the house is unlikely to have an alarm on. Houses up for auction present an even easier target since no check is run on the

people who go to view."

During the recession, Georgian office conversions in Maylair and Beigravia remain empty for longer

Stopping short at a steal

and are therefore at greater risk. Building work also endangers house contents.

A Metropolitan Police official says: "There is generally no forced entry. If people are used to builders working, they are used to the sounds of banging and chiselling and will not notice a team of crooks removing fittings."

Mr Cameron lays part of the blame for the increase of theft at the feet of the press. "When a piece is stolen, the national newspapers overprice it to make a good story. They talk about Georgian door frames worth between £20,000 and £30,000. Thieves assume that the goods are there for the taking. But

Victorian marble mantelpieces go for only £400 or £500 each. The thief finds he cannot sell the piece for the amount he expected.

"Nine out of 10 times he can't get rid of it at all because it is obviously stolen and he ends up junking it. The trade papers, if it they report it, just say that another piece has been

At the top end of the market. Peter Craven, artiques officer of the West Yorkshire police force, says that thieves are becoming more

"They will photograph an item in an empty house and hawk it around dealers to get the best price, telling the dealer they have a demolofion contract. Half an hour showing the Westminster portcullis after a piece is stolen, it is often and stylised Tudor roses, which is sold." he says.

One obvious precaution buyers can take is to deal exclusively with reputable auctioneers. Next month, the Duke of Wesminster is holding an attic sale through Sotheby's of household effects and architectural fittings from Eaton Hall, near Chester. The sale is a clear-out of property going back to the original mansion There are many architectural pieces that no longer have place in the present hall, which was built in the modern style in 1961.

Among the items under the hammer is 56ft of oak balcony balustrading, with carved panels

expected to make £3,000 to £5,000. (The sale will be in the stables on

September 21.) Most dealers are careful about sellers. Mr Saunders points out that stolen goods are more trouble than

they are worth. "Dealers will lose all the money connected with the stolen piece not just the purchase price, but money spent on restoration, insurance and advertising, and they will be suspected of handling. Word

"We can't afford to risk our reputation," says Bob Lovell, a director of London's biggest sal-

vage dealers. The London Architectural Salvage & Supply Company (Lassco). "If anything makes us uncomfortable, we check."

Precautions include a subscription to Trace and a board carrying photographs of stolen objects. "If a scruffy chap offers two urns with wet mud on them from the back of a lorry, we take his number and phone the police. We like to work very closely with them."

Lassco's stock comes through dealers known to the company, from auctions and through private vendors. Sally Baily of Baily's Architectural Antiques, a garden furnishing specialist, obtains her stock locally and will not

THE SAFE THATCHED HOUSE

buy any goods from intermediaries. Much can be done to reduce the chances of theft. Mr Parissien suggests boxing in large items in empty houses to deter the casual thief and recommends posting a notice outside a house where work is in progress giving the official site hours and the number of the police station to ring if there is any building activity outside them.

If the owner goes away, the police should be informed as a matter of course. Mr Cameron recommends cementing large items in place.

D hotographs and measurements of fixtures and fittings are essential. Without them, recovery is impossible. Mr Cameron is perpetually surprised by the number of people who live with a piece for 20 years and can't describe it. Every month the A4 pages of Trace, which was started three and a half years ago, are filled with photographs and descriptions of stolen art and antiques, as well as list of items recovered, now totalling more than £6 million's worth.

The police sometimes have to return suspected stolen pieces to owners because they can't cannot prove the goods were obtained dishonestly. Mr Parissien is keen that insurance companies demand photographs of insured items as a prerequisite for coverage, and that members of the public should seek the provenance of every antique fitting they buy. Westminster al-ready demands this for every antique fitting put into its 11,500 listed buildings.

David Prout, Westminster's princinal conservation officer says: "It is some measure of protection. Lots of new fittings come from Ireland where listed buildings do not enjoy the same level of protection, and the provenances are vague. "We get the feeling that a few chimneypieces are doing a merry dance around Westminster, via the auction houses. But the measures we recommend to people are having an effect: the level of reported thefts is nothing like as frequent."

Once an item has disappeared. currently there is little chance of its recovery. There is evidence that much of the better quality house fittings go abroad where, even if it is traced, the owner cannot get an item back because British law relating to stolen goods bought in good faith does not apply.

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HOW TO PREVENT THE SPARK THAT COULD MAKE A SMOULDERING RUIN OF YOUR DREAM COTTAGE

When the home fires burn

SUMMERTIME, and thoughts turn to a month in the country in a cottage: the fantasy perpetuated on a thousand chocolate-hox lide. ceramic mantelpiece trinkets and embroidered antimacassars, Ra-

The reality of cottage buying is rather different. The country's estimated 50,000 thatched cottages are four times more likely to be damaged by fire than other properties, and the average cost resulting from such accidents is £100,000, according to the Royal Society for the Prevention of

Norfolk fire service has devised a leaflet with a check-list of danger points. The service's Niel Whiting says: "Insist that work involving blowtorches stops half an hour before tradesmen leaves your home to allow time to check for smouldering debris."

Mr Whiting also suggests ask-ing the builders' insurers for a letter confirming that their public liability insurance policy provides cover for the use of heat in your home. "Reputable builders will not object to this reasonable request," Mr Whiting says. "No

letter equals no work." Chimneys should be topped by a tall chimney pot to help carry Thatchers (0494 443198).

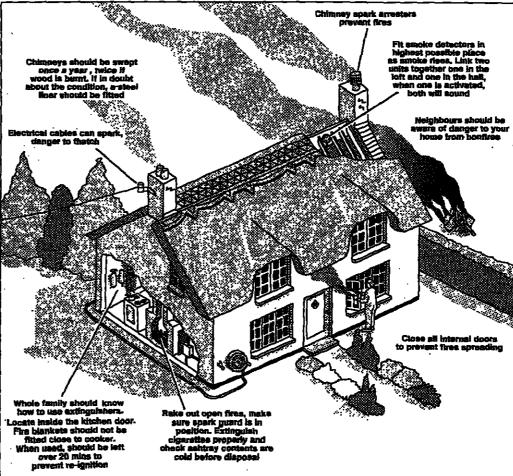
hot gases and sparks away from the building. The Norfolk fire service says a minimum of 1.8m from the thatch ridge to the top of the pot is needed.

After chimneys, the service says, electrical faults are the second most common cause of fire. The answer is a five-yearly check. When a thatch is replaced, the Norfolk service says it is best if the new thatch is laid over a layer of plasterboard or fire-retarding insulation board to prevent fire from spreading on the underside of the thatch and burning thatch falling into the house.

Such is the concern among cottage-owners that the leaflet has already had to be reprinted and Leicestershire and Lincolnshire fire services now deliver the leastet to every thatched property in their areas. Those who follow its advice could be rewarded by lower insurance premiums.

John Albion & Partners, an surance agent at Sudbury in Suffolk, promises lower premiums for those who follow the Norfolk instructions.

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Moor allure stalks the city streets

Shooting style has been hijacked by the trendsetters. Nicole Swengley investigates

owes Week and the "Glorious 12th" which marks the start of the grouseshooting season, share more than the month of August. A few years ago shoppers hijacked some professional sailing rig as they wanted good-looking outdoor clothing combining technological advances with traditional crafts-

manship.

Now the same thing is happening with shooting gear. Field jackets, top coats, gilets, boots, breeches and caps are straying from moor to country lane while leather cartridge bags are as likely to hold picnics or books as ammunition. You only have to glance at the outdoor gear favoured by society figures like the Duke of Westminster, Diana Rigg, Annabel Heseltine or Rosie Marchioness of Northampton to realise that trendsetting takes place as effectively on a shoot as a catwalk.

As a specialist shooting shop, Holland & Holland (071-499 4411) is more aware than most of the sartorial dilemmas of sporting novices. But, as Roger Mitchell, the company's deputy chairman, ex-plains: We have taken care to make our new collection of shooting clothing elegant and practical. We expect customers to wear it away from the shooting field."

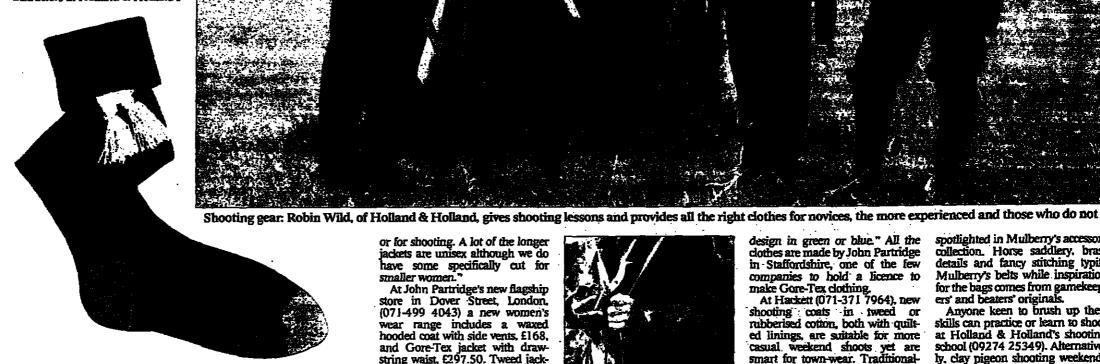
Primary features of Holland & Holland's exclusive weather-wear is its warmth and rainproofing qualities. New this season are own-label olive, green and tan field jackets, £345, longer coats with detachable loden linings, £385, and a threepiece shooting suit for women, £700, with tweed skirt, breeches and jacket. Reversible quilted jackets, £345, and stylish loden/ tattersall reversible waistcoats, £120, both prove effective windshields.

Teamed with neat Nubuck or tweed breeches, softly-coloured cashmere sweaters and cardigans, it is hardly surprising that the fashion world has embraced the whole look with enthusiasm.

Le Chameau, a leather-lined

side-zipped gumboot keeps feet dry while Lancaster calf ankle boots and brogue-style shoes for men and women are hand-made to cater for different width fittings.

Hand-knitted stockings with colourful tops are serviceable yet fun while a pair of technically advanced shooting gloves, whose design development has been assisted by instructors at Holland & Holland's



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shooting socks and tie ups can be colourful, serviceable and fun

Sue Simpson, buyer of shooting

rig at Harrods, confirms: "We sell

to people who like the English

country look as well as those going

on their first day's shoot. But we sell

more of the tweedy traditional

English style to Continental Euro-

peans while the British tend to go

for performance clothing. Light-

weight cotton/polyester jackets with

a Gore-Tex drop liner are very

popular because they are long enough to wear over a business suit

shooting school, is available for right or left-handed shooters at

Leather luggage, with water-proof compartments to separate damp and dry clothes, bridle leather holdalls, cartridge and boot bags are smart and practical for any weekend activity. For leisure reading. Holland & Holland's Bruton Street showroom is one of London's few outlets stocking antiquarian shooting books.

or for shooting. A lot of the longer jackets are unisex although we do have some specifically cut for smaller women.

At John Partridge's new flagship store in Dover Street, London, (071-499 4043) a new women's wear range includes a waxed hooded coat with side vents, £168, and Gore-Tex jacket with draw-string waist, £297.50. Tweed jackets and skirts, moleskin trousers, skirts and waistcoats, wool trousers and cord blouses with a partridge print trim complete the look. The store also stocks an extensive children's range.

"People are using our clothing for everyday activities so we've added a fashion slant to practical fabrics," says Caroline Hebron, the shop manager. "But we find the British remain inhibited about colours and shapes. We sell bright red waxed jackets and blouson styles to Europeans while Brits are more likely to choose a traditional



eirtherain bag and watersilk iacket lined with Gore-Tex

design in green or blue." All the clothes are made by John Partridge in Staffordshire, one of the few companies to hold a licence to make Gore-Tex clothing. At Hackett (071-371 7964), new

shooting coats in tweed or rubberised cotton, both with quilted linings, are suitable for more casual weekend shoots yet are smart for town-wear. Traditionalists might prefer Hackett's new plus fours, £125, or a three-piece tweed shooting suit, £400, worn with a tattersall check shirt and shooting tie. Tweed caps, silver hip flasks and a wide range of rubberised canvas game and cartridge bags complete the fresh-from-the-field

For serious outdoor enthusiasts, Mulberry's Sporting Pursuits range (071-493 2547) includes a new poacher's jacket in heavy weathered cotton, £279, and reefer duffle £325, in check velour, But influences from field and moor are spotlighted in Mulberry's accessory collection. Horse saddlery, brass details and fancy stitching typify Mulberry's belts while inspiration for the bags comes from gamekeep

ers' and beaters' originals. Anyone keen to brush up their skills can practice or learn to shoot at Holland & Holland's shooting school (09274 25349). Alternative ly, clay pigeon shooting weekends take place at Hilton hotels in Newport, Newbury and Warwick (details 0923 38877).

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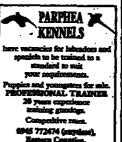
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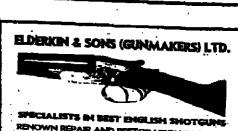
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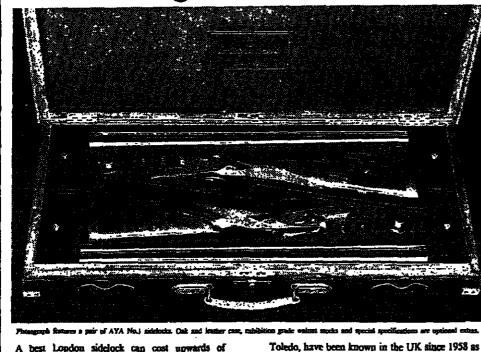
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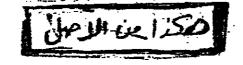
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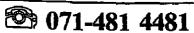
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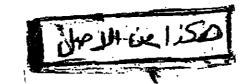
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Civil contempt and criminal trial

Harris y Crisp Before Lord Justice Neill. Lord Justice Butler-Sloss and Lord Jus-

(Judgment April 15) While the decision of the Court of Appeal in Szczepanski v Szczepanski ((1985) FLR 468) stressed the importance of dealing swiftly and decisively with con-tempt proceedings, it did not take away the discretion of the judge to decide on the particular facts of the case whether or not serious prej-udice would be caused by going ahead with the hearing of con-tempt proceedings prior to the conclusion of criminal proceedings

arising out of the same incident. arising out of the same incident.
The Court of Appeal so held in allowing an appeal brought by Trevor Andrew Crisp against the decision of Judge Dyer at Chippenham Courty Court on April 10, 1992 to adjourn proceedings for contempt to a full day's hearing. On June 29, associated criminal proceedings were discontinued and the judgment released for publication.

leased for publication. Mr Peter Codner for Mr Crisp: Mr Philip Goddard for Miss

LORD JUSTICE NEILL said that on April 10, 1992 Judge Dyer heard an application by Miss Harris to commit Mr Crisp to prison for allegedly disobeying a I To proceed with the contempt non-molestation order made on , proceedings would cause Mr Crisp

January 31, 1992.

On that occasion Mr Crisp was not in court but he was represented by a solicitor who applied for an adjournment since the incident had also given rise to criminal proceedings which were pending. It was not altogether dear execute what order the indee in actly what order the judge in-tended to make. The formal order that he made was that the applica-tion for committal be adjourned until April 28 for a full day's hearing. But it was said on behalf of Miss Harris that the judge made no final decision on the grant of an adjournment until

proceedings. In those circumstances the matter came before the High Court by way of an application for judicial review to stay the proceedings of April 28: it being thought that the judge might not have made an order susceptible of an appeal.

The matter came before the Court of Appeal both as a renewed application for judicial review and because of an appeal from the

after the conclusion of the criminal

by way of an appeal from the judge's order. Their Lordships had treated the case as an appeal as a matter of common sense and would give such guidance as they

Mr Codner submitted:

prejudice because, whereas he declined within his rights at an interview with the police to answer detailed questions, he would, if the contempt proceedings were heard, be bound to answer matters put to

2 The judge was wrong in coming to the conclusion that he was bound as a matter of law by the decision of the Court of Appeal in Szczepanski v Szczepanski and if the judge had decided that he was bound to go ahead with the committal proceedings not withstanding the pendency of the criminal proceedings, he was wrong to do so;

3 There was a question of public policy since if contempt proceedings went ahead followed by criminal proceedings there was a risk of two inconsistent findings.

In his Lordship's judgment, it was right to underline that Secrepanski did not take away the discretion of the judge to decide on the particular facts of the case whether or not serious prejudice would be caused by going ahead with the hearing of the contempt

What the decision emphasised, and did so very strongly, was that it was important that contempt proceedings should be dealt with

proceedings were quite different from criminal proceedings arising out of the same facts.

There was however, no doubt that there were cases where a court could decide not to go ahead with one set of proceedings because they might in fact prejudice the fairness of the trial of other proceedings.

If Mr Goddard was right in saying that the question of whether

the application to adjourn had not been finally decided then the judge could look at that matter afresh. In any event, even if he had purported to make a decision on that matter. the appeal would be allowed to the extent that the judge should feel free to consider the question according to the test whether there was a real risk of serious prejudice

which might lead to injustice.

If he decided that the contempt proceedings should go ahead that was a matter for him. It was possible for him to hear the proceedings in such a way as not to attract publicity by hearing the evidence in coment and if he gave judgment making sure that by means of initials or in some other way publicity was not given to the

Lord Justice Butler-Sloss and Lord Justice Mann agreed. Solicitors: Goughs, Devizes; Morris Goddard & Ward, Devizes.

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Tenant to show source of funds

Darlington Borough Council v Denmark Chemists Ltd (formerly Plansweep Ltd) Before Lord Justice Neill, Lord Justice Steyn and Sir Christopher

[Judgment July 31] On appeal against forfeiture of a lease, where relief was sought on the basis of change of circumstance following a longstanding breach of covenant by the tenant, the tenant first had to show precisely where the money was to come from to rectify the breach and explain why it was not available when the

matter was before the judge. The Court of Appeal so held when dismissing an appeal by the defendant, Denmark Chemists Ltd. (formerly Plansweep Ltd.) against an order of Judge Bryant in Dadington County Court dated July 13, 1991, that the plaintiff, Dadington Borough Council, should recover and the defendant give up possession of land at Denmark Street, Darlington.

Mr Nicholas Patten, QC and Mr John Fryer Spedding for the appellant; Mr Christopher R. Parker for the council.

LORD JUSTICE NEILL said Darlington Borough Council had let the land to the appellants for 125 years at a yearly rent of one peppercorn. Denmark had paid £12,000 for the lease and covenanted to build a doctors' surgery and retail pharmacy on the site. Darlington had made clear that what it did not want on the site was a pharmacy without a surgery.

The pharmacy, built at a cost of £90,000. had opened on August 11, 1987 but no surgery had been built. Darlington had accordingly sought possession. Denmark had argued that the lease was fruspractitivner committee had made it clear it was unlikely to permit any medical practitioner to practise at

However, the judge had rejected that argument because the alleged

frustrating event had taken place before the lease was made and the committee's attitude might have been discovered by Denmark be-fore it made the agreement, had simple and straightforward enquiries been made.

The appellants had originally taken the position that they were under no obligation to build a surgery until the family prac-titioner committee changed its mind. Now it was said that they had had a change of heart, were ready to build the surgery and had produced at the last minute proposals to finance the construction. In his Lordship's view, however, where a tenant had been in clear

stances, to put forward precise evidence of the sources of finance which were available and of his capacity to meet any interest payments and to explain why the finance was not available when the matter was before the judge.
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Children's wishes important

The decision of a judge concerning two children that did no more than pay lip service to their ascertain-able wishes and feelings was

The judge's order permitting the children's mother to remove them out of the jurisdiction to live with their desire to remain in England

and retain contact with their father, was plainly wrong and should be set aside.

The Court of Appeal (Lord Justice Nolan and Mr Justice Hollis) so held on July 27 in allowing an appeal by the lather of two children aged 10 and 11 from an order by Judge Medawar in the mother's favour given in Edmonton County Court in June 1992.

MR JUSTICE HOLLIS said that the children had expressed their wishes to stay in England and increased. The judge was aware of the need to take their views into account as in section 1 of the Children Act 1989. But. unhappily, he had done no more than pay lip service to their views.

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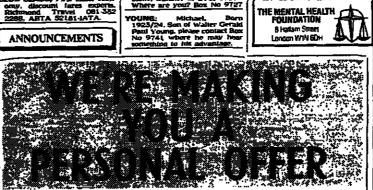
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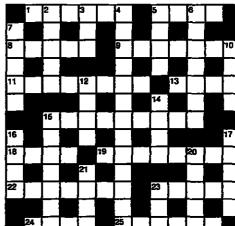
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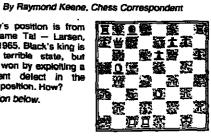
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9.25 Gophers! Children's entertainment (r) (5) (7295909-

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(35807348). Ends at 4.10

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6.00 Channel 4 Daily (9613788)

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9.55 Get Smart. Spoof spy series starring Don Adams (9322305) 10.25 Film: Happy (1933, bow) starring Starriey Lupino. British musical

comedy about an inventor who poses as a millionaire in order to interest his girlfriend's father in a new enti-car theft device. Directed by Fred Zehrik (7665893)

11.50 Bartaklada. Czech animation (6112541)

1.00 Sesame Street, Early learning series. The guest is New York's

2.00 Film: Rio Rita (1942, take) starring Bud Abbott and Lou Costello

With Kathryn Grayson, Directed by S. Sylvan Simon (525218) 3.40 The Specialist, A carpenter turns a V/C into an art form (n)

4.00 In Search of Scotland's Larder. Derek Cooper goes in search of

wild and unusual foods (r) (164) 4.30 Countdown. Another round of the words and numbers game,

presented by Richard Whiteley (s) (676)

5.00 The Oprah Winfrey Show. The guests are women who are cheating on their husbands (s) (2813947)

5.50 Laurel and Alies Cornedy series starting time Curtin and Susan Corner are dispurses starting times carenthood and a

7.00 Channel 4 News with Dermot Mumaghan and Zeinah Badawi

7.50 Comment (245473)
8.00 Brookside. (Teletext) (s) (1473)
8.30 The World in Garden. The last programme in the senes following the two-and-a-half year restoration of the garden on Sidd-link Connect (Teletext) (s) (2500)

9.00 Out. Lesbian and gay magazine. Sex Wars examines why some lesbians and gay men view each other with ignorance. Talking Hairs finds out what lesbian and gays feel about body hair. (Teletext) 107751

10.00 The Golden Girls. More comedy from the sprightly Miami matrons

10.30 Absolutely. Comedy sketches starring Morwenna Banks, Jack Docherty, Moray Hunter, Gordon Kennedy, Peter Baikie and John Sparkes (r). (Teletext) (224589)

Saint James as divorcees sharing single parenthood and a Greenwich Village home. (Teletent) (\$41)
6.30 Kelloggs Tour of Britain. Stage three — Middlesbrough to humberside, a distance of 103 miles (893)
7.00 Channel & Marie Channel & Marie (893)

Vintage musical comedy in which the two heroes are working as

house detectives in a swish resort hotel and uncover a Maio spy ring.

The Conference of the American Services

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6.00 Ceefax (14980)

6.30 BBC Breakfast News begins with Business Breakfast until 6.55 when Nicholas Witchell and Laurie Mayer present news and topical reports with regular business, sport, weather, regional new and travel bulletins (1897)247)

9.05 Defenders of the Earth Animation (r) (6297270) 9.25 Why Don't You . . 7 Entertaining ideas for youngsters at a loose end (r) (s) (4414980)

10.00 News, regional news and weather (6888763) 10.05 Playdays (r) (6670218) 10.25 Double Dare. Messy game show hosted by Peter Simon (3402015) 10.45 The O-Zone. Pop music magazine

11.00 News, regional news and weather (1182676) 11.05 Kids on Kilroy. Robert Kilroy-silk and an audience of able-bodied and disabled young people discuss what it is like to live with disability (8777454) 11.50 The Travel Show Traveller. Maine Maciver

visits Bergen in Norway (r) (6129831) 12.00 News, regional news and weather (7(89386) 12.05 Summer Scene. Entertainment magazine presented by Caron Feating and Linda Mitchell from the National Garden Festival in Ebbw Vale (5440657) 12.55 Regional News and weather (51748102)

1.00 One O'Clock News. (Ceefax) Weather (79744)
1.30 Neighbours. (Ceefax) (5) (43372928) 1.50 Eldorado A repeat of Monday night's episode (Ceefax) (5) (61212299)

2.20 Cricket Live coverage of one of today's NatWest Bank Traphy semi-finals is) (257305) 4.10 Attack of the Killer Tomatoes. Animation (r) (s) (1950386) 4.35

Tricky Business. Episode five of a nine-part children's comedy senal starring Bernie Clifton (r) (6501928)
5.00 Newsround (5401638) 5.10 Five Children and it. Episode for of a six-part adaptation of E. Nesbit's children's classic (r). (Ceefax) (s)

5.35 Neighbours (r). (Ceefax) (s) (490980). Northern Ireland: Inside 6.00 Six O'Clock News with Peter Sissons and Andrew Harvey. (Ceefax)

6,30 Regional News Magazines (183). Northern Ireland: Neighbours 7.00 Eldorado. (Ceefax) (SI (9015)



Resilient: Lynn Redgrave with actress Anne Haddy (7.30pm)

7.30 Fighting Back. Series in which celebrities talk of how they coped with losing their health. This week Lynn Redgrave talks to Heighbours star Anne Haddy who has undergone a succession of near-fatal illnesses. (Ceetax) (s) (367) 8.00 Lovejoy Ian McShane stars as the dodgy antiques dealer, this

week digging the dirt on a shady property developer who intends to make Lady Jane's husband a partner. With Nicky Henson and Phyllis Logan (r). (Ceefax) (395909)

8.50 Points of View presented by Anne Robinson (266251)
9.00 Nine O'Clock News with Michael Buerk. (Ceefax) Regional news

9.30 An Inconvenient Woman. The second and final part of the minisenes about the seamy underside of affluent Los Angeles life. (Ceefax) (s) (493473)

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6.45 Open University: Rome — the Augustan Age (5751909). Ends at

8.00 Breakfast News (3547096) 8.15 Travel Show UK Mini Guides, A report on Berwick-on-Tweed, Northumberland (r) (1654251) 8.20 Romer's Egypt. Egyptologist John Romer begins a hectic exploration of the ancient civilisation of

Egypt (r) (4069725) 9.00 Film: Tarzan and the Slave Girl (1950, b/w) staming Lex Barker and Vanessa Brown. The jungle hero swings into action when villagers ask him for help after their chief's bride is kidnapped by a

tribe of lion-worshippers. Directed by Lee Sholem (6593183)

10.10 Holiday Outings. Kathy Tayler samples the Dominican Republic in the Cambbean (r) (6866541)

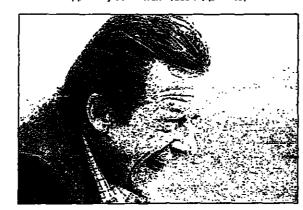
10.20 Cricket: Live coverage of one of the NatWest Bank Trophy semi-finals (s) (49242831) 12.50 Hidden Worlds: Embroidery. A film examining the cultural expression of a disparate collection of women from around the world through the different type of embroidery they produce (r)

1.20 Henry's Cat. Cartoon (r) (37389831) 1.25 Fireman Sam. Animation (r) (72825367)

1.35 Cricket. Further live coverage of one of today's NatWest Bank Trophy semi-finals. Includes News and weather at 2.00, 3.00 and 3.50 (40782164) 7.30 DEF II: Rough Guide To Careers Update. Independent advice on careers in finance (266763)
8.10 States Of Mind: Mill City.

• CHOICE: In the 1990 the United States Congress declared the

northern spotted owl an endangered species. Environmentalists were delighted. But for the loggers of Oregon, who cut the trees the owls nest in, the ruling was a disaster which threatened not only jobs but a way of life. Nick Godwin's film explores the bitter reaction of Mill City, a small town largely dependent on the timber industry. The matter is succintly put by Charlie Stewart, who runs the grocery store: "There's so long you can look at a beautiful scene until suddenly you have to have lunch". A citizen who goes against the majority is socially ostracised and receives death threats. But the greatest anger is directed at the members of Earth First, who are not only militant green campaigners but young and long-haired and apparently do no work. (Ceefax) (315763)



Seeking a miracle cure: accident victim John Hurt (9.00pm)

search for sunken loot (605-22) 2.00pm Gally, Gaily (1969; Comedy about a Chicago newspaper (83812) 4.00 Evil Under the Sun (1981): Agatha

2.45 Rush Week (1988): Students go missing from campus (644435) 4.15 Best of the Best (1989): Kick-bowing drama (358961), Ends at 5.55

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Christie whodunit (6560)

9.00 ScreenPlay: Journey to Knock. CHOICE: A first television script by the actor William Ivory (of Coronation Street and Resnick) is a blackish comedy charting the progress of three pilgrims from a hospice in Nottingham to the holy shrine of Knock in the west of Ireland. The men are all confined to wheelchairs. Johnny (Charles Simon) is an elderly war veteran who has come to accept his lot. Terry (David Thewlis), a young man with motor neurone disease, is bitter and truculent. Alfred (John Hurt), an accident victim, comes somewhere in between. Their picaresqua adventures on the road form the framework for an exploration of disability that is painful, funny but never sentimental. Since the play was first shown last year, it has won three awards at a European television festival (r). (Ceefax) (4902837)

10.15 Screenplay Firsts: Bitter Sweet (b/w). A Munich Television and Film School production without dialogue about a husband and wife playing a game of cat and mouse with each other over the wife's eating habits (700198)

10.30 Newsnight with James Cox (937541) 11.15 Rebel Poet. A profile of the Scottish poet Hugh McDiarmid, who was born 100 years ago, made in celebration of his 80th birthday (r)

11.55 Weather (719102)

12.00 Open University: Literature — the Gentle Sex 12.25am Networks and Partnerships (3394394). Ends at 12.55

12.00 Shark's Treasure (1975) Divers SKY SPORTS

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11.00 Ox Tales. Animation (3617102) 11.25 Just for the Record Another collection of record breaking feats from around the world (r) (s) (1305183) 11.50 Thames News (9784218) 11.55 Cartoon Time (6104522) 12,10 Alisorts (5431164)

12.30 Lunchtime News with Dermot Murnaghan and Sonia Ruseler (Oracle) Weather (7017164) 1.05 Thames News (63486034) 1.15 Home and Away. Australian family drama serial. (Oracle) (633657) 1.45 A Country Practice. Medical drama (632928) 2.15 Graham Kerr. The chef prepares sancocho, an exotic Puerto Rican meat stew (624909) 2.45 Take the High Road (9641893)

3.10 ITN News headines (4893589) 3.15 Thames News (4885560)
3.20 The Young Doctors. Drama serial set in a large Australian city hospital (6617541)

3.50 Scooby Doo. Cartoon (4775909) 4.15 Hulk Hogan's Rock 'n' Wrestling (1944725) 4.40 Fun House. Slapstick game show (r) (5823218) 5.10 Blockbusters. General knowledge quiz for teenagers, presented

by Bob Holness (4009676)
5.40 Early Evening News with John Suchet. (Oracle) Weather (661541)

5.55 Thames Help (r) (993928)

6.00 Home and Away (r). (Oracle) (299)
6.30 Thames News. (Oracle) (251)
7.00 Take Your Pick. Des O'Connor with another round of the yes/no

game show (s) (4183)
7.30 Coronation Street. (Oracle) (763)



Pop and Ma Larkin: David Jason and Pam Ferris (8.00pm)

8.00 The Darling Buds of May.

 CHOKE: What better for a summer repeat than the series which went straight to the top of the ratings when it was first screened. last year and stayed there throughout its run? H.E. Bates's Larkin family was not new to the television screen, having appeared in the 1950s when Pop and Ma were played by David Kossoff and the imperious Peggy Mount. But this Yorkshire Television version, adapted by the sitcom king Bob Larbey, was something else. You can only guess at the reasons for its extraordinary popularity but. they may lie in a fondness for workshy heroes combined with nostalgia for a glowing rural past. The show takes David Jason's Del Boy, transports him back 30 years and sets him down in a lyncally photographed Kentish countryside. All this, and a radiant new actress called Catherine Zeta Jones. (Oracle) (s) (1947)

9.00 Film: Blade Runner (1982) starring Harrison Ford, Rutger Hauer and Sean Young. Thriller, set in 21st century Los Angeles, about a former policeman who is recruited to track down androids who have mutinied in space and made their way to Earth. Directed by Ridley Scott. Continues after the news. (Oracle) (1183)

10.00 News at Ten with Trevor McDonald and Alastair Stewart. (Oracle) Weather (93763) 10.30 Thames News (514299) 10.40 Film: Blade Runner continued (5665034)

Shoffywood Report. Showbiz gossip (s) (398473)
 20am Film: What a Way to Go (1964) starring Shirley Maclaine, Paul Newman and Robert Mitchum. Black comedy about a many times-

widowed woman who, through no fault of her own, married men who immediately got-rich-quick and then died. Directed by J. Lee Thompson (14697706) 2.45 America's Top Ten (s) (14348) 3.15 Videofashion. Parisian designers (19687503)

3.40 Quiz Night. Pub and club competition (20288329) 4.10 Grand Ole Opry. Country and western music from Nashville (r)

4.40 Fifty Years On (b/w). Vintage newsclips (72242684)

5.00 Three's Company. American comedy series (33874) 5.30 ITN Morning News with Brenda Rowe (34961). Ends at 6.00

James Mason) (1183) 10.40 Film: The Mackintosh Man cont (783657) 11.35 Shady Tales (547812) 11.50 Film: Terror Out of the Sky (587831) 1.35 Might Heat (337481) 3.25 Coach (19501139) 3.55 Bhangra Beat (20104313) 4.25-5.30 Central lehtfinder 19 (281825)

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discovers that she is adopted (57689522)
8.00 The Murders in the Rue Morgue
(1932, b/w) Classic horror (4460947)
9.05 Around the World with Dot
Animation and live action (7339183)
10.25 The Mark of Zorro (1940, b/w).
Swashbucking adventure (82950218)
12.15pm The Spirit is Willing (1967). Sid
Caesar Rives in a haunted house (405541)
2.15 Playing with Fire (1985) Gary
Coleman plays a juvenile arsonst (425305)
4.15 Across Five Aprils (1990): Family
drama set during the crul war (380099)
6.15 It's a Bilkini World (1967) Tommy Kirk
pursues Deborah Walley (300657) pursues Deborah Walley (300657) 8.15 Deadly Desire (1991) Jack Scalia is seduced by Kathryn Harrold (28569831)
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10.05 Mof Better Blues (1990): Dencel Washington plays a self-centred jazz trumpeter (34622657) (2.15am Bettey Blue (1936): French tale about a tempestuous love affair (57084619) 2.20 The Man Who Wasn't There (1983) Steve Guttenberg turns enviole (331989) 4.15 10 Rillington Place (1971): Richard Artenborough as the murderous landlord John Chirate (909139). Ends at 8.06

THE COMEDY CHANNEL Via the Astra satellite
4.00pm f/r Ed (5928) 4.30 Punky Brewster 4.00pm Mr Ed (5928) 4.30 Punky Brewster (4812) 5.00 Green Actes (7473) 5.30 The Lucy Show (5164) 6.00 The Monkes (5305) 6.30 Three's Company (6657) 7.00 Designing Women (4909) 7.30 Aichtale's Nay (5541) 8.00 Doctor, Ecctor (3657) 8.30 Working if Out (2164) 9.00 Hogan's Heroes (45102) 9.30 The Lucy Show (34557) 10.30 The Lucy Show (34557) 10.30 McHale's Nay (12947)

SCREENSPORT Via the Astra satellite
 7.00am Eurobics (55831) 7.30 Revs (42638)
 8.00 Longitude (63657) 8.30 Nike Classic
Road Rare (62928) 9.00 Celebrity Golf Open
(46980) 9.30 Gol (13893) 10.30 Eurobics (46960) 9.30 Gol (13693) 10.30 Eurobics (42164) 11.00 Snootker Classer (47831) 1.00pm 24 Hours Francorchamps (73522) 2.00 Eurobes (6725) 2.30 Grand Sumo (82560) 3.30 Top Rank Boxing (58947) 5.00 (1992 Pro Superbike (6855) 5.30 World Cup Climbing (22676) 6.30 That Kick Box (6725) 17.30 PGA Championship Highlights (91) 128993 8.30 Grundig Sport (5096) 9.00 Pootball Dutch Supercup (98283) 10.30 Golf Report (770893) 10.45-12.45am Major League Baseball (296980)

LIFESTYLE Via the Astra satellite
 10.00am Rambo (19812) 10.30 Jokers Wild
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 C192522) 11.25 The Joan Rivers Show
 (3600589) 12.15pm Sally Jessy Raphael
 (3760367) 1.00 Lunchbox (40270) 1.30 Sell-(3760367) 1,90 Lunchbox (40270) 1,30 Sell-a-Vision (3024164) 2.05 Rafferty's Rules (4599034) 3,00 Women of the World (1783) 3,30 Tea Break (5328003) 3,40 Phylis (1820541) 4,10 Dec Van Dyke Show (5777763) 4,40 American Gameshows (4033657) 5,30 Sell-a-Vision (747367) 6,10 Salty Jessy Raphael (291763) 7,00 Sell-a-Vision (165164) 10,00 Music Videos (8417744) 2,30am Top Pive Videos (98416)

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News and sport on the hour until 7.00pm 6.00am World Service: Newshour 6.30 Damny Baker's Morring Edition 9.30 Anely Crane's latest four match; and a greenew of the US PGA golf champorate in 1985? (I 9.00 Box 13: Den and the Wonderful Lamp 9.30 House of Stars: Sinitia (r) 10.10 Hit the North, and 11.00 Sport 12.00-12.10am News; Sport

2.15-2.45 Gardening Time (624909) 6.25-7.00 Anglia News (461560) 9.00-19.00 Firm: Alien (1183) 16.40-11.50 Alien cont (5665034). BORDER

CENTRAL

o Midweak Choice, with Susan Sharpe. Allegri (Miserere: Choir of King's College, Cambridge, under Stephen Cleobury); Liszt (Vase oubliée No 1: Leske Howard, piano); Mozart (Piano Concerto No 2 in B flat, K 39: English CO under Murray Perahia, piano); Erkel (Hunyadi Laszlo, Act 3, Sc 2: Hunganan State Opera Chorus and Orchestra under Janos Kovacs, with Magda Kalmar and Zsuzsanna Denes, sopranos, Denes Gulyas, tenor); Liszt (Valse oubliée No 2: Leslie Howard, piano); Bizet (Minuetto and Adagietto, L'Arlesienne, Suite No 2: Montreal SO under Charles Dutoit); Schubert (Der Hirt auf

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Duttoit), Schubert (Der Hirt auf
dem Felsen: Arleen Auger,
soprano, Graham Johnson,
pano, Thea King, clarinet);
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(Valse oublièe No 3: Leslie
Howard, piano); Josef Strauss
(Dorfschwalben aus
Osternerb; Visona PO under

Osterreich: Vienna PO under

11.50 BBC Scottish Symphony Orchestra under Fedor Glushchenko performs

Tchaikovsky (Overture, Francesca da Rimini; Symphony No 1 in G minor, Winter Daydreams) 1.00pm News 1.05 Delmé Quartet — 30th

Anniversary. In the first of two programmes. Piers Burton-Page talks to members of the quartet and introduces

some new BBC recordings. Galina Solodchin and John

Underwood, viola, Jonathan Williams, cello, perform Haydn

Truster, violins, John

As HTV West except: 6.00pm-6.30 Wales RADIO 3 6.55am Weather
7.00 On Air, with Chris de Souza. Including at 7.45 Ireland (A London Overture); 8.45 Wagner (Overture, Die Mestersinger)
9.00 Composers of the Week; William Schuman and his Contemporaries. Schuman. Prayer in time of war (Louisville Orchestra under Jorge Mester); New England Triptych (Seattle SO under Gerard Schwarz); A Song of Orpheus (Cleveland Orchestra under George Szell, with Leonard Rose, cello)
10.00 Midweak Choice, with Susan Sharpe. Allegri (Miserere:

(String Quartet in 8 flat, Op 1 No 1); Schubert (String Quartet in A minor, D 804) 2,05 hwan Llewelyn Jones: The pianist plays Bartok (Sulte, Op 14); Liszt (Vallée d'Oberniann); Scriabin (Sonata No 9, Black Mass); Rachmaninov (Prejudes, Op 23: No 4 in D; No 6 in E flat; No 7 in C minor); Chopin (Ballade No 4 in F minor, Op 52) (r) 3,05 Uister Orchestra under Oliver 3.05 Uister Orchestra under Oliver Dohnanyi, with Bernadette Greevy, contraito, performs Wagner, orch Mottl (Wesendonk-Lieder); Weili

(Vesemonik-Leder), Welli
(Symphony No 2)

4.00 Choral Evensong: Live from
Manchester Cathedral

5.00 In Tune: Peter Paul Nash talks
to Brian McMaster, the new
director of the Edinburgh
Festival 7.00 Proms 1992: Live from the Albert Hall, London. BBC Philharmonic under Edward Downes performs Rossini (Overture, William Tellt; Britten (Phano Concerto: Leif Ove Andsnes). 7.40 The Quotation Game. David Fanning discusses the secret and not-so-secret messages of musical quotation (r). 8.00 Shostakovich (Symphony No. 15)

9.00 What's the Big Idea? Up the Capitalist Revolution. The ideology of capitalism, not communism has transformed the world. Bryan Magee discusses the success of capitalism with David Willets, Jacek Rostowski and Lawrence Whitehead (r)

Whitehead (r)
9.45 Poulenc (Oboe Sonata:
Maurice Bourgue, oboe, Jacques Février, piano)

Proms 1992: Live from the
Albert Hall, London. Australian
Chamber Orchestra under
Richard Hickox performs 10.00 Pro Richard Hickox performs
Haydn (Cello Concerto in C:
Steven Isseriis); Peter
Sculthorpe (Lament); Mozart
(Symphony No 40 in G minor,
K 550)

11.10 Poulienc (Sextet for piano and
wind: Wind Quintet of Paris,
with Jacques Fevrier, piano)

11.30 News

11.30 News 11.35-12.35em Composers of the Week: Donizetti (Maria Stuarda; Lucia di Lammermoo — excerpts) (r)

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Hits from the sout; the legendary Otis Redding (11.05pm)

11.05 Mojo Working. A profile of soul singer Otis Redding (s) (962812) 11.30 Sticky Moments on Tour with Julian Clary Game show (r) (s)

12.20am Four-mations. The series of films from Estoman animalors

12.55 Film: Shaam (1980) starring Shashi Kapoor and Amitabh Bachchan. This first of a new season of Indian feature films is a tale of youthful adventure, romance and the world of crime that exists

continues with two by Priit Parn - Breakfast on the Grass and Time

in a 20th-century no-man's land. Directed by Ramesh Sippy

5.40 Take the High Road (400)96751 6.00 TSW Today (299) 6.30-7.00 Blockbusters (251) 11.50 Alfred Hitchcock Presents (398473) 12.20 The Young Rofers (1950042) 1.15 Donahue (5780428) 2.10 ChemAttractions (7709503) 2.40 The Truth About Women (9938313) 2.10 Pierr. Lola (988110) 4.55 About Britan (44041619) 5.20-5.30 Jobfinder (5006868) (4009676) 6.90 Calendar (299) 6.30-7.00 Blockhusters (251) 9.90-19.00 Him Coogan's Bluff (1183) 18.40 Film Coogan's Bluff corr (92025) 11.25 Rondit (144, 4) (334676) 1.00 Golf — The European Your (84690) 2.00 Hollywood Report (21645) 2.30 American Gladators (5056503) 3.20 Quz Night (19683787) 3.50 Music Bo-(9605684) 4.50-5.30 Jobfinder (1227329)

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RADIO 4

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5.55am Shipping 6.00 News
Briefing, incl 6.03 Weather
6.10 Farming Today 6.25
Prayer for the Day 6.30 Today,
incl 6.30, 7.80, 7.30, 8.00,
8.30 News 6.55, 7.35
Weather 7.45 Thought for the
Day 8.43 Love Among the
Butterlies: The Travels and
Adventures of a Victorian
Lady. Edited from the dianes
of Margaret Fountaine by
W.F. Cater. Read by Miranda
Richardson and narrated by
Anthony Hyde (1/8) (s) 8.58
Weather 9.00 News
9.05 in the Psychiatrist's Chair:
Television pranister Jeremy
Beadle, of Beadle's About and
You've Been Framed, faces Dr
Anthony Clare (s)
9.45 Idle Thoughts, with John
Walters (s)
10.00-10.30am News; Mad Dogs
(FM only): Phil Smith considers
English attitudes to money
10.00 Daily Service (LW only): The
Second Letter of Paul to
Timothy. Read by Denis Quilley
10.30 Woman's Hour talks to Helen
Langridge, whose awardwinning videos and
commercials have made her a
millionaire. Incl 11.00 News
11.30 Gardeners' Question Time:
Members of the Winslow
Garden Society in
Buckinghamshire put their
queries to the experts (r)
12.20 You and Yours
12.25pen The Harpoon: A 1950s
edition of the weekly advertisements and murders them for their money. He also happens to be happily married. Rogers is well-served

married. Rogers is well-served by his players, including Nickolas Grace, Polly James and Sarah Badel (s) 2.47 Dust Devils: A Fear of Water. Last of six tales of North Africa by Vaughan Purvis (r) 3.00 Doctor, Will I Wake Up? William Harston visits the Royal London Hospital to dispel patients' fears of the anaesthetist (s) (r) 3.42 The Parts: Sue Nelson experiences the technology of experiences the technology of funfairs

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4.00 News
4.05 Kaleidoscope reviews the latest film releases including Lethal Weapon 3, and the Australian comedy Waiting; reviews the play Hush at the Royal Court; and Issters to the English band, Barely Works (s)
4.45 Short Story: Saturday Night at Jenks Morel, by D.J. Taylor. Read by Ed Bishop
5.00 PM 5.50 Shipping Forecast
5.55 Weather
6.00 Six O'Clock News
6.30 Brain of Britain 1992: Fourth semi-final — highest scoring numers-up (s) (r)
7.00 News 7.05 The Archers
7.20 Costing the Earth (r)
7.45 Medicine Now (r)
8.15 Age to Age (r)

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8.45 Message and the Media:
News of the World? Sheena
McDonald considers the public
appetite for foreign news and
examines media coverage of
world events

9.15 Kaleidosome (s) (s)

world events
9.15 (Kaleidoscope (s) (r)
9.45 The Financial World
Tonight, with Roger White (s)
9.59 Weather
10.00 The World Tonight (s)
10.45 A Book at Bedtime: Lucky
Jim, by Kingsley Amis Read by
Martin Jaws (S/12) (r)
11.00 Looking Forward on the

11.00 Looking Forward to the Past: Robert Booth chars a light-hearted historical

light-hearted historical discussion (s) (ri) 11.30 Screenplay; Iain Johnstone hosts the film quiz (s) (r) 12.00-12.43am News, incl 12.27 Weather 12.33 Shipping forecast 12.43 As World Canada A.W only) weil as Deing a treatre administrator, selects an Edwardian theme about Charles Warren, art dealer and outwardly respectable man who marries women he meets through "Enough hearte!" Service (LW only)

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12.00 You and Yours
12.25pm The Harpoon: A 1950s edution of the weekly magazine (s) 12.55 Weather
1.00 The World at One
1.40 The Archers (s) (r) 1.55
Shipping Forecast
2.00 News: Little Yellow Bird

O CHOICE: An all-star cast for a first play by someone who has previously worked in the "engine room" of both-theatre and television. Feter Rogers, one-time head of Yorkshire Television drama as well as being a theatre administrator, selects an

through "lonely hearts'

